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HERRIN BREAKS OUT IN ANOTHER 'LITTLE WAR'

REPRESENTATIVE FARMERS HEAR FERTILIZERS DISCUSSED

About 50 farmers and other interested persons gathered in the room at the Hurdleston Hotel formerly used by the drug store Saturday at 3:30 to hear Dr. G. S. Frapps, nationally known chemist from A&M College deliver an address on fertilizers. While the crowd waited for the arrival of Dr. Frapp, on the afternoon train from College Station, Ben Stollenwerck, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, explained to the farmers the purpose of the $1000 in prizes to be offered by the Chamber of Commerce here for the best cotton crop produced on 5 acres. He stated that the money was already subscribed and that as soon as the committee could meet a set of regulations for the management of the contest would be arranged and published. Simplicity would be the key note of the contest he stated in order that all participants might easily and conveniently compete. He also stated that the Chamber of Commerce would give a year's subscription free to the Mexia Weekly Herald to all farmers receiving their mail out of Mexia.

In his lecture, Dr. Frapp left aside all technicality and came down to simple terms in explaining the kinds and use of fertilizers. He said that there has been a large increase in the use of fertilizers in Texas this past year and a liklihood of a larger increase during the next year. Yet Texas is not using anywhere near the amounts being used by other states. He began with showing how plants are made up of elements and that these elements can be applied in the shape of fertilizers, provided the farmer understood just what elements are needed. These elements, he said, compose what is known as plant food. In their study of plants, he said, chemists found that there were three kinds of plant food most generally needed. They are: Phosphoric Acid, Nitrogen, and Potash. Any one of these may be used as a fertilizer, though they are commonly put in bulk, ready mixed by manufacturers.

In connection with this Dr. Frapp said that if the farmers intend to keep up the soil they must fertilize. The kind and amount of fertilizer to be used depends on several things. Namely, the soil, crop to be planted, and climate. In addition to this the farmer must consider the treatment the land has been receiving prior to the fertilization, the depth of the soil, the character of the subsoil, etc. The fertilizer to be used cannot be decided, moreover, simply by chemical analysis of the soil, since the elements needed may already be in the soil yet be there in such chemical combinations that they are not soluable and therefore in a form unattainable by the plant. "Practical experience is mighty hard to beat," said Dr. Frapp. By testing out the fertilizer the correct amount and type can be found. Especially is this true of the black land. "Black, waxy land is very uncertain in its response to the fertilizer, and to test it out is the only resource of the farmer wishing to use fertilizer on that type of soil."

In speaking of the three types of plant food most commonly used, Dr. Frapp gave the sources of of the types as follows:

Phosphoric Acid, he said is found in bones, and in phosphoric rock deposited in large quantities over different parts of the country. This rock is treated in factories with a solution of sulphuric acid which releases the acid for use as fertilizer. The percentage of available acid in the fertilizer placed on the market runs between 16 and 20 per cent of the bulk.

Nitrogen is the most expensive of fertilizers and the most easily lost from the soil. It is also the most easily gotten back into the soil. In connection with this element, Dr. Frapp urged as an economical move on the part of the farmer the rotation of crops as the best method of obtaining nitrogen from the air and keeping it in the soil. He stated that there was about 14 pounds of nitrogent over every square inch of land but it could only be coaxed into the land by the use of legume crops which by means of certain bacteria in tiny nodules on their roots fix the nitrogen and make it available to the plant. He especially stressed the rotation of crops as the only means by which land can be built up and vegetable matter placed in the soil, enabling it to retain moisture and withstand drought.

One source of nitrogen he gave as cotton seed meal, which he said should be fed to cattle and the manure placed on the land, as that was vastly more economical, since it would serve as feed and at the same time place the valuable element, nitrogen, in the soil. 6.88 per cent of the cotton seed meal is nitrogen, he said. Other sources are nitrate of soda, obtained from Chile where it is deposited in large beds, and which contains about 15 per cent nitrogen; sulphate of ammonia, a by product of the manufacture of coke; and dried blood, tankage, and packing house products.

Potash, the third element, he said was the most unattainable of them all to plants though large quantities exist in some soils.

In discussing the values of the different fertilizers to plants, he showed that phosphoric acid helps the fruiting of plants. That is, on soil where plants are wont to run to leaf and stalk this fertilizer should be applied. Nitrogen helps in developing stalk and leaf where plants are generally scrubby and weak this is the class of fertilizer to be applied. On the other hand potash aids in the general all round growth of the plant, giving vigor both to leafage and fruitage. Too free an application of any of these fertilizers however, he stated, was to be avoided.

The speaker then gave some advice as to the application of the plant food and also named 11 formulas which had been decided as the best for use on farms in the state by competent chemists and experimenters.

Dr. Frapp spoke for about one hour, during which he gave some very practical advice about the buying and application of commercial fertilizer and also the value of proper cultivation of the plant after the application. He stressed the fact that only intensive farming could make the use of fertilizers really profitable.

He was followed by A. K. Short, of the Extension Department of the A. and M. College, who stressed the principal things which Dr. Frapp had mentioned and especially drew the farmers' attention to the need of leadership in the county if anything of advance was to be realized from more intensive cultivation of their land. Rotation of crops and live stock farming as the means of building up spent soil were especially stressed. "If a farmer intends to make a profit out of his farming he must make the farming pay for itself as it goes," he said, in voicing his opposition to the habit common to the farmers of borrowing money every year at high rates of interest and expecting every year to come out with a clean slate. To do that it is a certain fact, he said, that more crops must be raised on the same land than before. He recommended the terracing of land to keep the soil from washing into the creeks.

More than anything else, he said, the farmers need leadership and combined action and to do that they must take up the idea of hiring a county agent and putting the thing over. He stated that the county agent was paid for out of the taxes and that an agent would cost them no more or no less than none at all is.

AUTO ACCIDENT FATAL TO SON OF VERNON BANKER

VERNON, Texas, Feb. 9.—Frank Massie, Jr., 17, son of a local banker, died of injuries received when an automobile he was driving overturned at midnight near here. Five others, high school boys and girls, in the car, suffered slight injuries.

HENDRICKS HOME FROM BUYING EXPEDITION

Frazer Hendricks, manager of the W. A. Jackson Store of Mexia has just returned from the principal merchandise markets of the country. His trip carried him to New York and St. Louis where he spent the past two weeks carefully selecting Spring stock of the very latest designs which is soon to begin to arrive for display at Jackson's and for sale to the people.

While in New York, he attended Rotary, thus keeping up his attendance record and helping Mexia in the attendance contest now going on between Mexia and Corsicana.

Joe Kaash of Corsicana was here Saturday.

Nine National Guard Units Ordered To County

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 9.—Further outbreaks Saturday in Herrin caused four additional companies of National Guard to be called out. Five were already mobilized because of a gun fight between Klansmen and Anti-Klansmen resulting in the slaying of two men. Further bloody outbreaks are feared. The shooting occurred at a meeting held to protect against "raids" on alleged blind tigers by Klansmen. The metting was outlining a campaign of retaliation against Klan leaders when three policemen, appointed by the Klan entered, and the shooting started.

Troops were patrolling the Herrin hospital were fired upon by a body of one hundred alleged Klansmen. Several men whom alleged Klansmen said they had warrants for killing a Klan leader, took refuge in the hospital and fired a volley at the approaching band. Martial law is imminent. Sheriff Galligan, who requested the troops, was arrested on a murder charge.

HERRIN, Ill., Feb. 9.—Five companies of Illinois National Guard, numbering 200 men were converging on Herrin today to halt the threat of another bloody massacre in Williamson county as the result of a war between members of the Ku Klux Klan and anti-Klansmen.

Trouble sprang up in two mob fights here just before midnight, resulting in the slaying of a Herrin policeman and Klan leader and a deputy sheriff of the anti-Klan faction.

Caesar Cagle, Klansman and policeman, was shot to death on the street here shortly after Deputy Sheriff John Layman, bitter enemy of the Klan, was shot and fatally wounded at a meeting held to protect against "raids" on alleged blind tigers by the Ku Klux Klan. The meeting was outlining a campaign of retaliation against Glenn Young, leader of the Klan raiders.

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TROOP TWO BOY SCOUTS GO ON THEIR FIRST HIKE

Troop Master Willets, took his troop, No. 2, Boy Scouts on their first hike Saturday. They hiked two and a half miles east of town, cooked their own dinner over an open fire without cooking utensils. Twelve of the boys passed the tenderfoot test, and eight passed the fire lighting test. They also practiced the flag drill and played games, and otherwise enjoyed themselves.

JIM PRICKETT HOME FORM MEETING IN SAN ANTONIO

Jim Prickett, president of the Mexia Battery and Tire Company the past week attended a meeting of the South Texas Retail Merchants and Jobbers Association, which was held in San Antonio. He heard an address by Fred T. Mann, a business expert who has won attention throughout the United States because of the huge volume of business which he has built up in a town of 3,500 people.

TOM PRICKETT HOME FROM DALLAS EXIDE CONFERENCE

Tom Prickett attended the Exide Storage Pattery meeting held Thursday in Dallas. He is very much enthused upon his return, declaring the session to have been one of the most helpful that he has ever attended.

DALLAS, Feb. 9.—Allen Florence and John Williams, both 16, were brought to a hospital here last night as a result of injuries received when their motorcycles collided near Rowlett late Friday. Both were seriously injured. Florence's skull was fractured and Williams' received a fractured thigh.

BELTON, Texas, Feb. 9.—The fate of Hawley Vierek, charged with murder in connection with the murdere of Thompson Bell in the Sealy street battle September 5, 1922, was in the hands of a jury today. The case went to the jury late Friday night.

DEPUTY MARSHAL AT WICHITA IS FINED FOR CONTEMPT

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 9.—John Saye, deputy United States Marshal at Wichita Falls, was fined $25 and costs for contempt of court in connection with shortage of alcohol stored at Witchita Falls in his custody, and A. H. Eldridge, retiring United States Marshal, was found not guilty by Federal Judge Atwell in the hearing. Robert Goodfellow, special officer at Witchita Falls, testified that he took a drink in Saye's office Christmas day.

Two Officers Are Shot to Death By Workers at Still

HARRIMAN, Tenn., Feb. 9.—Two officers, Constable James W. Jett and Deputy John Swann were shot to death Friday as they neared a still on the farm of Dillard Newport, near Emory Gap, three miles from this city.

The bodies were concealed in hastily prepared shallow graves and later found by Sheriff Johnson and a posse searching for Walter Newport, alleged to have fired the fatal shots.

First Recital On New Organ Draws Throng

The installation recital at the Methodist Church Friday night gathered an audience which packed the main auditorium, Sunday School rooms and galleries with a crowd of attentive and appreciative auditors. It was one of the largest gatherings ever seen in the church for a musical program.

Ada Emily Sandel of Dallas was the artist who performed to the delight of those assembled on the magnificent new pipeorgan which had just been installed.

Miss Bess Walters presented a reading in her most pleasing manner, while Mrs. Oscar Denning and Miss Lucille Preddy rendered two beautiful duet numbers.

Rev. W. B. Andrews, pastor of the church, presided at the splendid program, every number of which was enjoyed to the limit.

The audience was well pleased with the new instrument, installed at a cost of $7,100, and which is one of the finest in this part of Texas.

Rev. Andrews announced that the choir would give a musical program Sunday night at the regular hour for service, to which the public is invited.

Graves Refuses To Keep Silent About Ballots

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 9.—Hume Graves of Fort Worth, deputy sergeant-at-arms who helped collect the ballots in the Mayfield dispute, declared that despite his reprimand by Senator Spencer, "ballots in at least three Texas counties were destroyed without reason." He declared that he stood by his former statement, although he did not know why the ballots were destroyed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT MAKES RUN ON McKINEEY STREET

In response to a call turned in at 2:05 Saturday afternoon the fire department made a run out to the East Side Tailor Shop at the corner of Titus and McKinney.

The fire was caused by the generator for the pressing machine having overflowed and caught fire. No damage beyond the paper burned off the ceiling was reported.

E. L. Smith, Jr., is getting along nicely now, after quite a siege which has kept him in bed for the past several days.

PARIS, Feb. 9.—French francs were in a near slump today falling to 22:15 to the dollar and 95.20 to the pound sterling.

Limestone Son Opens Campaign For Governor

Lynch Davidson, Native Son of Limestone County, opened his campaign for Governor of Texas, with a two hour address in Groesbeck. The speaking was held in the Methodist church. The auditorium of the edifice was well filled and many seated in the Sunday School rooms to hear the address which he delievred and which set forth in terse businesslike terms his stand on the political issues of the day.

Preliminary metters consumed about one hour, the meeting being called to order by J. E. Farrow at two o'clock. Three speeches were made prior to the introduction of the honored and distinguished Limestone son.

He began his address at three o'clock and the audience was keenly appreciative throughout his exhaustive statement of the principles in which he believed and on which he is to stand while making his campaign for Governor.

The Davidson party, coming from Houston, comprised about twenty citizens and admirers from various sections of the State. Col. R. G. Duff of Houston was one of the party.

Mexia Citizens Go to Austin to Meeting Tuesday

Plans are being made to charter a Pullman to carry the Mexia delegation to the Centennial meeting called by Governor Neff in Austin Tuesday. Quite a number of leading business men here have signed up to attend. Those who can possilby do so are urged to see Ben Stollenwerck or telephone the Chamber of Commerce and make reservations. The train will leave Monday night and return the next night; so that none need be from home but one day. Everyone is invited to go, as the event will give Mexia citizens an opportunity to keep their home town in the forefront with the most progressive cities of 10,000 in all Texas.

Pioneer Company Mentioned Now In Teapot Probe

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Harry F. Sinclair was enabled to get his Teapot Dome lease from Secretary of Interior Fall by means of conspiracy with the Pioneer Oil Company, the Senate investigating committee was told. The conspiracy charged in the complaint prepared by Leo Stack of Denver, charging the Pioneer Company "entered into the conspiracy" with Sinclair to abandon its ust right to Teapot Dome. The dropping by the Pioneer Company of its claims permitted Sinclair to go ahead with leasing negotiations with Fall, the complaint charged. It was read to the committee at the request of Senator Walsh. Stack contended that the Pioneer Company "double crossed" him and asked the court to award him five million dollars damages. Walsh contended that Stack's suit was unjustified and really had no right to the leases.

$250,000,000 Ic Settlement That France Proposes

PARIS, Feb. 9.—The government presented a bill in the Chamber of Deputies providing for ratification of accord whereby the United States will be paid two hundred and fifty million for Rhineland occupation expenses. An annex to the bill includes hitherto unpublished letters from the State Depart ment at Washington. The letter is in reply to the allies' announcement regarding reservations as intention to refuse the United States' right to participate legitimately in the advantages stipulated in the Versailles treaty. It adds that the United States government did not believe the allies could have intended any discrimination against the United States.

Morgan Wiggins of Gonzales was in Mexia Friday.

WERNER REPORTS FREIGHT CLAIM PREVENTION MEETING

S. B. Werner, local freight agent of the T. & B. V. has just returned from Fort Worth where he has been attending the annual meeting of the Southwestern Freight Claim Prevention Congress, which was held at the Texas Hotel, continuously for three days. The object of this association is to concentrate efforts of railroad men looking to the reduction of claim payments for loss and damaged freight handled by the railroads and to promote a beter understanding between shippers and receivers of freight and the railroad and a spirit of co-operation which in the end will result in the proper packing, marking and billing of freight. And after the railroads have received the freight, its employes will move it with reasonable safety and within reasonable time, all of which contribute to the reduction of claims for loss and damage, which it was pointed out are just as annoying to the shipper as to the railroads.

Officers of the American Railway Association were in attendance and railroad executives of high rank spoke on the wonderful progress that has already been made by the claim prevention congress and set a new goal to be reached the coming year.

The congress includes in its membership representatives from railroads embracing the great southwest and to further demonstrate its eagerness for a better co-operation between the public and the railroads an invitation was extended to the public in Fort Worth to attend its sessios, at which discussion was had along the lines of better freight handling.

The congress was unanimous in this one thing. "Pay all legitimate and lawful claims 100%,but fight all fraudulent claims to the highest court in the land.

Union Service To Memorialize Woodrow Wilson

At 7:30 Sunday night, at the Baptist church a Memorial Service will be held in honor of the late and lamented Woodrow Wilson. The Methodist church was the scene of a service for that purpose last Sunday night, hence the churches uniting in the event tonight are the First Christian Church, First Presbyterian Church, Central Presbyterian and the Baptists.

Rev. Joe Jeffers, pastor of the Baptist church, will preside, with all pastors of the respective churches having a part on the program which has been arranged.

The program is as follows:

Processional by the Organist.

Hymn No. 366—"Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Invocation—Rev. White.

Scripture Reading; Psalm 23rd—Rev. E. M. Hudson, of the First Presbyterian Church.

Male Quartette—"Looking This Way"—Messers Samford, Jeffers, Harper and Beene.

"Woodrow Wilson—The Private Citizen"—Rev. Victor K. Aubrey, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church

"Woodrow Wilson—Our Commander in Chief"—Dr. R. B. Jackson.

"Woodrow Wilson—The Statesman"—A. Garland Adair.

Hymn No. 261—"Abide With Me" by chorus choir.

"Woodrow Wilson—The Apostle of Peace"—Rev. Reaves of First Christian church.

Mixed Quartette—"Sweet Peace, the Gift of God's Love"—Messers Jeffers and Harper, Mesdames Reynolds and Harper.

Hymn No. 330—"America"—by Congregation.

Benediction—Rev. Hudson of First Presbyterian church.

THE WEATHER

East Texas.—Sunday unsettled, probably local rains, and warmer in east. Colder in extreme northwest.

West Texas.—Sunday unsettled, probably rain or snow and colder.

BASKET BALL SCORES

At College Station—Texas A. & M. 29; S. M. U. 18.

At Fort Worth—T. C. U. 33; Baylor, 19.

At Austin—Texas 38; Rice 10.

Humphreys Stockholders Called To Consider Dissolution Of The Company First Saturday In March

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Humphreys Oil Company, at a meeting in New York, Thursday of this week, adopted a resolution favoring the dissolution of the Humphreys Oil Company. Following the resolution which also favored the surrender of the franchise, a meeting is to be held in Mexia Saturday, March the first, to which all stockholders have been called, for the purpose of considering and taking action upon the proposed dissolution. This meeting was called at the New York meeting of directors. The call for the meeting for the morning of the First Saturday in March has been made by Col. H. Maud, Secretary of the Humphreys Oil Company.

The announcement has aroused considerable interest among local members, since it has raised the question as to whether the move will mean the "paying off" of the rest of the payment involved in the transaction by which the Humphreys Oil Company was sold to the Pure Oil Company.

It is believed that the selling of $15,000,000 bonds by a syndicate in New York Thursday, for the Pure Oil Company was a step toward the final settlement of all affairs connected with the deal.

The $15,000,000 bonds, 5½%, priced from 96.62 to 100.25 to yield from 5 to 7 per cent over maturities running to August 1, 1926, were soon placed, according to the dispatches, the books being closed in a few minutes after the sale opened and being issued as a part of the purchase price of the Humphreys Oil Company.

The sale is considered very flattering, both as regards the value of the properties of the Humphreys Oil Company and the statuts of the Pure Oil Company itself.

Should the dissolution be favored, it will bring to a successful end one of the most spectacular oil companies known in the southwest, say those who have watched the development program by which it has grown with the Mexia Golden Lane as its foundation, with the Rogers discovery well here as its first property, and from such a start to a company with approximately 275 producing oil wells at Mexia, Currie and Powell, and which, when sold to the Pure Oil Company represented the largest deal in the history of oil in the state of Texas. The consideration was reported to have involved $25,000,000.

Following the change, should it take place, headquarters for operations in the fields where interested, will not be changed from here, it is thought.

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YOU CAN DO IT!

A New York magazine of general appeal has on its entrance door, "YOU CAN DO IT!"

The motto may seem foolishness to men who have struggled long to achieve their aim, but every salesman who reads The News can testify that he never made a sale when he was saying to himself, "Well, I'll try it, but it can't be done." The man who makes a difficult sale, builds a bridge along a dangerous cliff or mends a serious looking wound is the man who tells himself, "It can be done."

The man or woman who has faith in himself, faith in his task and faith in mankind is the one who most frequently gets to the top of the ladder. His faith grows with every step. His confidence becomes infectious and his associates help him to rise still higher. From such a combination came the famous truism. "Nothing succeeds like success."

But the part many men fail to realize in all efforts to build self-confidence is the vital place the church and Christianity play in faith.

If you would achieve the impossible, by all means build reservoirs of faith. Regular church attendance and observance of the teachings of the Bible build faith more surely and on better foundation than any other way. Thousands of residents of Mexia can testify to this.

Start now. Every church invites you.

WATER PROBELM SHOULD BE MET NOW

Mexia citizens are busy now pruning the trees about their homes, terracing and otherwise working to make Mexia the City Beautiful when Springtime with its blooms comes again.

This action on their part suggests the need of an immediate careful study of the water question and action now that will prevent a repetition of last year's history. Unless this is done, there is almost sure to be a shortage of water, which will annul all the earlier efforts to improve the appearance of the city.

The wise citizen begins to work now to beautify his premises and it is a wise city who prepares in times of plenty for the hard days sure to come.

The News still contends that a representative body of citizens, representing every civic organization here, should be appointed as a Water Commission to make a careful survey, with Engineer Morgan, go thoroughly into the needs of the municipality in securing an abundance of pure water for Mexia and then take the proper steps, pursue the proper course, bring the water to town, even though a bond issue is required to get it here.

Mexia has an abundance of water, if it could be brought to town in such a quantity as to enable the use of much of it as necessary when the blistering winds of the drouthy period arrives and to be available in case of conflagration, mishap or other occurrence which would call for an immediate supply right here at hand.

A stand pipe built for a town of 3,000 people certainly is inadequate for a city of 10,000. One water main just big enough for a town of 5,000 cannot bear up under the strain of service of transporting water for twice that number.

These are matters which the water commission would no doubt have called to their attention, and certainly, now is the time to act.

The future of Mexia depends more upon its water facilities than upon any other one thing just now.

NOWLIN POST ACTS WISELY

The Nowlin Post of the American Legion, at its regular weekly meeting last Tuesday night, went on record as favoring the Adjusted Compensation bill as presented to the Congress of the United States. It is well that the legion here took such a step. Recommendations, urging the passage of the measure, sent to Washington from all parts of the country will do much to encourage the early passage of the bill. It should be passed. No longer should politicians over the United States be permitted to make a football out of measures originated in behalf of the men who wore the uniforms of their country in the great war. So far, parties have endorsed bonus bills and went to the people with planks favoring same written indisputably in their platforms. Then, after the ballot boxes had been stored, they resorted to the pledge and began all over again to tell the soldiers that they were their friends and would favor the measure, if they could be shown just where the money to pay the bonus was coming from.

Bonus is not the proper word. Adjusted compensation is much better.

The soldiers in the last war did not fight for a bonus any more than soldiers in previous wars fought for a bonus. Their patriotism is undisputed, their service unquestioned and their love for country has never been bounded by the flaps of their pocketbooks.

As has been said, they were promised everything but the kitchen stove, if they would but fight for their country when she was bleeding and when each new day found a new gash added to her wounds.

They saw, they went and they conquered.

Upon their return, they found that the boys who remained at home, while they were away, in a vast majority of instances, had "prepared for the rainy day," were driving finer automobiles than before the war; had businesses themselves in numerous instances and a growing bank account. On the other hand, the boys who went to army camp and fighting field returned in rags, had to go to the old trunk which they left behind and pull out a suit they used before they donned the khaki; their jobs gone; their business disappeared and nothing but a good record in the army or navy or marine service with which to start life all over again.

A score or more of states have already passed adjusted compensation bills and tried to help the soldiery to get that new start. Texas has not yet acted.

It is not only a case of duty, a case of justice, but also a matter of wisdom that the nation take care of the boys, even at this belated date.

Wages in every field of endeavor soared while the war was in progress. The man who worked at $50 per month when war was declared was getting $150 when the Armistice was signed. In the meantime, the soldier continued to receive the $30 per month which he was paid when he first entered. Thus every citizen of this country received a bonus during the war. The soldier has been content to wait until after the war for the "adjusted compensation" due him.

He has been promised it and it should be given him without further delay.

Every candidate in Limestone County is going to be asked whether he favors the bonus bill before the coming primaries. It is an important question and the answers in the locality or county may have an important bearing on the decision by congress pertaining to the bill for adjusted compensation.

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WITHOUT COMMENT

Bootleggers All Paupers

A news item in the city papers states that when bootleggers are given jail sentences and are fined, they serve the jail sentence and then claim that they have no money to pay the fine and are sent to jail for not paying it. They stay 30 days and then take a "pauper's oath" and go free.

Frequent reports have been to the effect that many who are given heavy fines and no jail sentences have been getting out similarly. One man is reported to have been given the choice of six months in jail or one thousand dollars by the federal judge. He readily accepted the $1000 fine, then contended that he could not pay the fine and was sent to jail. At the end of thirty days he took a pauper's oath and went free.

Bootleggers parade their great profits in the newspapers freely and the story of fabulous wealth made by bootlegging are current upon the streets. Candidly we feel sure that the wealth of the bootlegger is very much exaggerated. They cannot operate except by paying protection money to officers. Even then they are worried and have to pay exorbitant fees to lawyers, and every turn they are "touched" by the grafters, many of them are put on the "bum" by loyal officers hounding their every step. In spite of all this we believe that attention should be given to these "pauper oaths" that are being given by bootleggers to get out of paying their fines. There should be a law somewhere among the archieves of the government to the effect that it is an offense to swear falsely. Among the ancients they prosecuted them for perjury. Could not these ancient laws be revived for the benefit of the bootleggers of today.—Home and State.

Mr. Bryan says taxes can be reduced and the bonus paid out of an excess profit levy, which, in his judgment, is the fairest tax ever conceived. Mr. Bryan certainly ought to know that any tax upon industry is passed along to the consumer after being multiplied several times. He ought also to know that when the government places an excessive tax on industry expansion stops and development ceases.—Denison Herald.

The Mexia News clips an editorial entitled "School Regents Against Agnosticism," in which it is stated that belief in the Supreme Being is made a prerequisite to employment in the University of Texas. They are dead right. An atheist is a fool. A man who can't look at almost any work of nature—the animal body, for instance, with all of its parts, so wonderfully harmonized, with its special senses each so wonderfully adapted to gather knowledge from the environment, and with a will to do, and instinct or reason to guide its acts—and see that a master builder has been there hasn't sense enough to take care of himself, much less to teach other people. Suppose some atheist, a zeppelin passenger from Europe, visiting America for the first time, should fly over New York so high that he could not see any of the people. Would he conclude that that immense aggregation of towers and buildings, noise and smoke and blaze of light, had been put together by blind, unintelligent forces all working together without a guide? It is folish to even ask the question. Yet, some men looking daily at workmanship infinitely more complicated and wonderful than that, claim they can see in nature no evidence of the existence of God. If they are really that dense they haven't sense enough to instruct circus animals, much less to teach in the University of Texas.—Terrell Transcript.

Taking Off Shoes—

An indignant passenger on a Texas railroad has written the Railway Commission demanding that a rule be enacted prohibiting passengers removing their shoes while on railway coaches. No such a rule should be made. Indivduals rights have been whittled down until there is hardly a thing, and as a final stand we declare the work of destroying rights shall go no further. Some of the good old Democrats simply can't stand shoes when their feet get hot, and they should be guaranteed the right to relieve their swelling feet by removing their shoes even though their socks are punctured with holes at toe and heel. People who don't like the attar of feet should provide themselves with gas masks when they travel.—Honey Grove Signal.

This brilliant discussion of insidious encroachment of personal privileges reminds us of one hot summer day several years ago, while riding on a mixed train in the lumber region of Arkansas. A tall, gangly man stretched himself out, hiked one foot over the back of the seat in front of him and went to sleep. After about an hour he woke up and began complaining seriously about his foot being asleep. A countryman who occupied the seat across the aisle spoke up: "Say, Mister, you're plum mistaken. That foot of yourn is daid."—Mineral Wells Index.

The bite of a peculiar bug that is found on the Philippine islands produces temporary paralysis.

CITIZENSHIP
Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

"To be strong and true; to be gererous in praise and appreciation of others; to impute worthy motives even to enemies; to give without expectation of return; to practice humility, tolerance, and self restraint; to make the best use of time and opportunity; to keep the mind pure and the judgment charitable; to extend intelligent sympathy to those in distress; to cultivate quietness and non-resistance; to seek truth and righteousness; to work, love, pray and serve daily, to aspire greatly, labor cheerfully and take God at His Word—"this, is to be a good American citizen.

NOWLIN NOTES

WHAT ADJUSTED COMPENSATION IS

(All I ask of any fair minded person is that he read the provisions of this bill.—National Commander, John R. Quinn.)

Lee P. Pierson, in an address before the Nowlin Post of the American Legion, in which he explained the provisions of Adjusted Compensation, last Tuesday evening called attention to the following:

"Under the terms of the Adjusted Compensation Bill now before Congress every American World War veteran up to and including the grade of captain in the Army and the Marine Corps and lieutenant in the Navy is entitled to an adjusted service credit of $1.25 a day for service overseas or afloat and of $1 a day for home service. From this credit, which every veteran can readily compute for himself if he remembers the important dates of his service career, must be deducted $60, representing the discharge bonus given every man on leaving the service. Service must be computed between the dates April 5, 1917, and July 1, 1919. The maximum adjusted service credit to which a veteran is entitled is $500 for home service and $625 for foreign service.

The bill contains the following provisions:

1. Adjusted Service Pay. This, the only cash feature provided for in the Adjusted Compensation Bill, is payable only to men whose adjusted service credit, after deducting the $60 discharge bonus, comes to $50 or less. Roughly, it affects only men who served less than four months. (This provision must be accepted by veterans who are not entitled to more than $50.)

2. Adjusted Service Certificates. These certificates are paid-up endowment insurance policies, payable at the end of twenty years to the veterans if he is still alive, or, if he dies in the interval, to his estate. The certificate would have a redemption value at the end of the twenty-year period of the adjusted service credit plus twenty-five percent, the whole plus 4 1-2 percent interest compounded annually. This would come to 3.015 the value of the adjusted service credit. Adjusted service certificates would have a loan value on the following basis: For the first three years the certificate holder would be allowed to borrow from a bank fifty percent of the value of his adjusted service credit plus the interest thereon at 4 1-2 percent compounded annually. From three to six years following issuance of the certificate he could borrow 85 percent of his credit plus interest, after six years 87 1-2 percent plus interest. In case of failure to make payments on these loans when due the veteran would not lose his certificate. The Secretary of the Treasury would be required to take them up and veterans would have the option of redeeming them by paying loan and interest, this provision to remain in effect during the twenty-year life of the certificate.

3. Vocational Training Aid. This provision allows the veteran to apply his adjusted service credit, computed in this option at $1.75 a day, to complete an education interrupted by the war.

4. Farm or Home Aid. Veterans who wish to make improvements on city or suburban homes, or purchase or make payments on city homes or farms or pay off land indebtedness may receive for this specific purpose adjusted credits based on length of service increased by twenty-five percent."

An electric voting machine is used in the State legislature of Iowa. It has proved to be a time-saving device, enabling more legislation to be passed in a given time than formerly under the old system of voting.

A Colorado young man had to marry before Armistice Day, 1923, or lose a fortune of $62,000.

SPRING BONNETS

For Misses and Ladies. Hats that are true inspirations for Spring. Hats that are strikingly beautiful in materials and colors. Dainty trims of beads, ribbons, gay feathers and veils enhance their already attractive smartness. Shapes that you will be pleased to wear on the street or dress.

And I have a beautiful collection of exclusive models for children.

Mrs. C. O. Anderson
Exclusive Milliner
City Nat'l Bank Bldg.

Texans Called To Celebrate

One Hundred Years of Achievement

In the Proclamation Calling the Texas Centennial Conference Convention for Feb. 12, Gov. Pat Neff Says:

"The completion of this century of treading the highway of a State's destiny has turned the minds of Texans everywhere to Texas. There has been awakened a universal desire to commemorate the heroic deeds of those who laid the corner stone of the Texas Empire. It is altogether fitting that the significance of this great opportunity should be impressed upon the people, and that a representative assembly should be convened to take some positive action looking to the preparation of a great centennial feast of art, history and industry, not only to show Texas to Texans, but invite the world to be our guests that the people everywhere may know that Texas is as great in achievement as in area."

Every Texan Will Want to be Identified With This Big Event Which Will Go Down in Texas History

The Texas Centennial Conference Convention as called by Gov. Pat Neff for February 12th, at the State Capitol at Austin, is the time when plans will be initiated for a huge celebration to commemorate the deeds of valor of the formative period, which interests every Texan.

The form of the Centennial Celebration, place of its holding and time for same, will belong to this convention, which will be entirely democratic and representative of every interest of Texas.

Texas can do anything it undertakes and the time has come when all patriotic Texans can express themselves in behalf of the much talked of celebration.

Excursion Rates on All Railroads to Austin.

Texas Needs Your Presence, Advice and Moral Support on This Important Occasion

Texas Centennial Celebration

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J. K. Hughes Is First Native Texan To Give To Fund To Make Possible Centennial Exposition For the State

Hampton Steele, of Mexia, President of the Native Sons of Texas, stated recently that he would be in Austin Tuesday to attend the meeting of the citizens of the State called by Governor Neff to decide upon plans for the Texas Centennial which is contemplated to hold in some city of Texas in the near future. Mr. Steele stated that he was very much interested in the service that the Centennial proposed to render and that he hoped to be present at the meeting next week. Stating that he hoped "that Texas will put it over," he gave as his opinion that there would surely be a log cabin in the exhibits and he hoped in the event of there being one that it might be used as headquarters for the Native Sons of Texas. In speaking of his wish, he stated that the house in which he was born in Montgomery County did not have a nail in it. Mr. Steele is the eldest son of the last survivor of the battle of San Jacinto and is 81 years of age. Inspite of his age he is still hale and hearty and is planning to visit many localities of the state during the Spring and Summer in the interest of the organization of which he is the head. He stated that "the organization is growing right along."

On the roster of the Native Sons are members from every walk of life. Among them are: Governor Pat Neff; Lieutenant Governor T. W. Davidson; Senator Joe Burkett, of East land; Lee P. Pierson, of Mexia; General Jacob F. Wolters, of Houston; Lynch Davidson, Houston; C. D. Gillespie, Houston Chronicle; R. L. Henry, Houston; H. F. Kirby, County Judge of Limestone; Whit Popejoy, Sheriff of Limestone County; Blake Smith and J. K. Hughes, oil men of Mexia; Scott Reed, County Attorney for Limestone county; General Felix D. Robertson, Waco; and others from every county in the State.

While addressing a meeting of the Mexia Rotary Club this week on the Centennial celebration, Lewry Martin of the Corsicana Sun stated that J. K. Hughes, a Mexia citizen and a member of the Native Sons of Texas, gave the first contribution toward the furtherance of the Centennial. He was also the first to pledge further aid toward the movement.

The headquarters of the Native Sons is at Mexia, the last survivor of the battle of San Jacinto, Alphonzo Steele, having resided and died in Limestone county.

Better Homes Campaign Proves Educational to United States

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9.—Special attention will be directed this year in the better home for America campaign to the small house and how the family of small income can get the most out of the funds they can devote to the building and making of the home.

One of the great needs of the country is to interest architects in designing comfortable, livable houses which can be built or purchased for no more than $5,000. It is the expressed belief of experts connected with the Better Homes in America educational movement that many houses now costing considerably more than this figure could be duplicated for $5,000 if the greatest care was taken in planning and ordering materials and in other ways.

It has been estimated that in building the average house, enough waste material is left over to furnish firewood for the house for two years. And this two years' firewood supply was not purchased at firewood prices, but at prices for finished lumber.

The home winning first prize in the nation-wide Better Homes contest last year was planned, financed, and furnished by students of the civics department of the high school at Port Huron, Michigan, at a total cost of $5,500. It is this type of home which will be stressed heavily in the campaign this year.

The campaign this year has been put in charge of Dr. James Ford, Harvard professor and expert in housing and community organization, who has been given leave of absence by the university expressly to allow him to carry on this educational work. Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, is president of Better Homes in America.

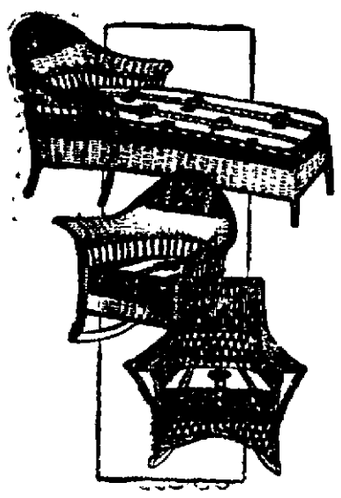
FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor will preach at 11 a. m.

The choir will give a musical recital at 7:30 p. m.

You will be excused from the Sunday School and the prayer meeting, provided you can give yourself a satisfactory reason for not studying the Word of God. "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path," says the Book. What do you say?

The first monument raised to dogs of war was unveiled at the canine cemetery, just north of New York.



NEW SPRING FURNITURE

Purchased by our buyer while in the World's Greatest Furniture Markets a few weeks ago is now beginning to arrive daily, and a visit to our store will convince you that we are certainly well prepared to take care of the wants and needs of our customers. Whether it be in INEXPENSIVE, MEDIUM OR HIGH CLASS merchandise, at prices that we feel sure will please you.

As usual, special attention has been paid to the novelty lines as: Lamps—Mirrors—Console Tables—Telephone Stands, etc., consisting of anything required to furnish the home complete.

Special attention has also been paid to equipments for the PORCH and LAWN this season. Within the next few days we will have on display for your inspection a complete line of OLD HICKORY—MAPLE, and other kinds of PORCH and LAWN furniture, also a complete line of COUCH HAMMOCKS and SWINGS.

We are making an earnest effort to be prepared to take care of your wants in our lines as well as anyone in the state, at prices especially attractive coupled with the best service to be had.

We are prepared to handle your account for you so that you can enjoy the pleasure of a well furnished home while you are paying for it.

We still want your business and are willing to put ourselves to the necessary trouble to get it.

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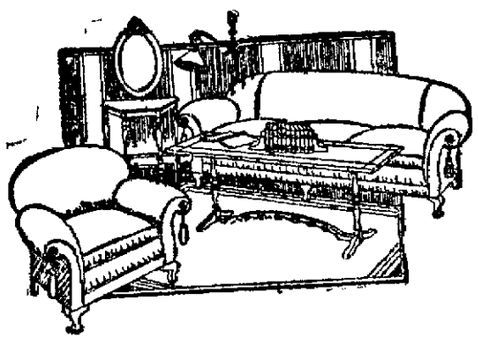

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HIGDON-McELROY COMPANY

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A Spring Message!

Spring is in the air! The North wind may still be trying to bluff his game a little longer, but he can't hold out forever. We've gone ahead and prepared our store for the on rush of Spring buyers and Monday you will find dozens and dozens of fashion's latest creations on display in our store.

A Collection of the Newest

SPRING COATS

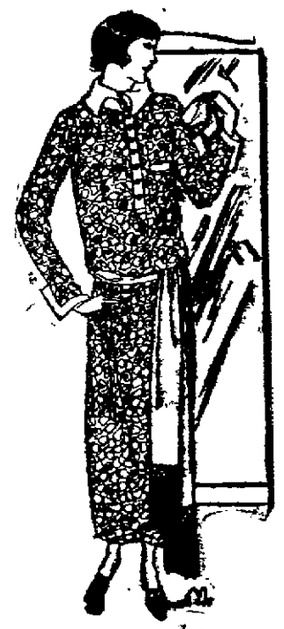
$24.75 and $39.75

—Swaggers Jaunty, youthful coats, very smartly tailored in numerous variations—all expressing the new mode. Ideal Coats for street, sport, motoring and general wear. Light in weight yet warm enough for immediate wear as well as later. Extremely full-cut models in proper length for Spring. Finished with fancy buttons, buckles, new collar effects, side-tie sashes and plain or fancy cuffs. Stripes and solid colors predominating.

Beautiful Spring

DRESSES

Now Ready for Your Inspection



Newly received styles, picturesque and authentic in design, especially excellent quality in material and workmanship, yet priced to afford the utmost value at a most economical price. Smart fitting designs, draped, tiered, basque and sleeveless effects, loose flowing Mandarin motiffs. Three-quarter or short sleeve destined to be so popular. Moderately priced from

$19.75 to $39.75

New Millinery

$3.95 to $10

—A collection of Fashion's newest in Spring Hats. Beautifully trimmed in foliage, flowers, braid and metal. Dozens of pretty shapes from which to make your selection.

STETSONS

For Spring at $7.50

—Men who have been looking for the New Spring Stetsons may come to our store Monday and see on display the latest styles.

—Snappy, good looking felts, silk lined, light light weight, principally in light colors. They're priced the Stetson way at $7½.

FURNISHINGS

Ma Jong Ties $1.50

—A pretty assortment in just the colors and designs that good dressers are demanding these days.

Vassar Underwear $1 to $4

—That good fitting, good wearing Spring Underwear. All sizes for men.

Manhattan Shirts $3.50 and $4

—These White Poplin and Madras Shirts with collar attached made by Manhattan are sure to suit you men. Come in and take a peek at them.

Phoenix Sox 75c to $2

—In all good colors for Spring wear. Pure thread silk, reinforced heel and toe.

SPRING MATERIALS for Sewing

New Linens

—A beautiful lot of new linens for Spring. 36 inches wide in colors of Brown, Ivory, Pink, Blue and Lavender. Priced per yard.... $1

Sateen

—New Buty-Chyne and Ever fast Sateen in colors of Golf, Black, Navy, Purple, Grey, Copen, White Orchid, Ceil Blue, Pink and Nut. Very moderately priced ---------- at per yard ----------

Satin

—Many new colors in this great lot of satin. All 36-inches wide and priced per yard..... $1.65

Percale Special

—For Monday we offer one lot of 27-inch Percale at the yard..... 10c

New Ginghams

Direct from the looms of the New England States.

One lot priced..... 15¢
One lot priced..... 20¢
One lot priced..... 25¢
One lot priced..... 35¢
One lot priced..... 45¢

French Ginghams

—Just unpacked and placed on display several very pretty lots of imported ginghams in checks, stripes and small plaids. Priced per yard 50¢, 65¢, 75¢ and..... $1.00

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—In the newest and smartest plaid and check designs of the season. Priced from 50¢ to $1.25 per yard.

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A PRACTICAL PROGRAM FOR 1924

Mexia's needs are numerous. Some of them are major while others are minor. Some of them create imperative demands upon the public, if Mexia is to become a bigger and better city. While achieving big things, the little ones should not be neglected.

The News offers the following list of needs that should be given attention in 1924 and carried to a successful conclusion:

1. **The water situation completely solved.** Mexia's water situation is not fully understood by many citizens. The conditions are by no means bad. In fact they are very promising. With an adequate supply of water available and of a pure quality, the proposition is largely one of bringing it to town and having at all times a reserve close at hand to take care of the city for a reasonable period in case of accident, breaking of the main leading to the corporate limits, or in case of a big fire. The News suggests a committee of citizens to go over the situation immediately, appointed by the city officials to make recommendations that will at all times assure Mexia an abundnace of pure water and prevent a recurrence of a water scarcity experienced last summer, to lead ultimately also to a reduction in the price to the consumer.

2 **More light for Mexia streets,** with particular attention to dark spots in the residential areas, alleys, in front of all local churches and schools, and a White Way for the business district. These are mentioned in the order of their importance.

3. **A Memorial Building, including a City Auditorium,** which may be used as a community center, and also so arranged as to enable Mexia to become a convention center in this part of Texas

4. **The Hughes City Park beautified and equipped** so that it may prove a real playground for the children and a place of recreation and rest for all, with attention also given to a tourist camp for parties traveling through in autos on cross country trips.

5. **A ceaseless campaign for public health,** with constant attention by citizens to their premises in cooperation with the city sanitary department; no open sewers and cess pools of filth and disease; and all possible breeding spots for mosquitoes oiled frequently, and the paved streets kept clean all the time

6. **Realizing agriculture is the permanent basis for general prosperity in this section, The News urges a more zealous endeavor to cooperate with the farmers of this territory in land conservation; the development of fertilizing plants and the offering of premiums on best farm crops for 1924,—along the lines recently suggested by J. W. Stubenrauch.**

7. **A larger tin bucket brigade for Mexia**—the new cotton mills to be the initial step forward in making this an industrial center of great moment.

8. **Always back up campaigns of local churches and schools** in their ambitious plans to meet the spiritual and educational and social needs of the community

9 **The paving program completed,** including the paving of the alleys and the improvement of all unpaved streets.

10 **Constant encouragement should be given to home seekers and home builders.**

11. **A new city charter** to suit conditions, properly presented and fully discussed and understood by the citizens prior to the day they are called to the polls to vote on it

12. **Lower fire insurance** key rate, and lower rates for all public utilities as rapidly as consistent with public weal.

NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

TEAGUE

William F Ede of Dallas of the Marine Service Committee Speakers Bureau will deliver an address at the Idlewild Theatre in Teague next Tuesday night A two reel motion picture show illustrating his lecture "Equality of Opportunity" will be shown

The H Day Male Quartet will appear in a concert Leaguer Ladies evening Feburar 8 under the auspices of the Helen A Staub Aug 8 Chapter for all athletic All proceeds from the concert are to go to the athletic fund of the H

Miss Gertrude McCullough pastor Methodist church announces the following program which will be given at the Helen A Staub Auditorium Sunday evening The program is intended to be entertaining and educational and will well repay everyone present

Dr Stuart and Mr and Mrs H Stringer of League Methodist church Jacksonville Texas will be in Teague Sunday Feburary 10th to take charge of the services both morning and evening Dr Stuart is a well known preacher and will be welcomed by his many friends in Teague

that it will before long be built back to its former level of efficiency and speed

The children of Mrs Enoch Davis gave her a real surprise dinner Sunday February 3rd the occasion being a birthday celebration Grandmother Davis is 75 year of age

Central Presbyterian Church

North McKinney and East Carthage Street

Rev Victor K Aubrey pastor

Sunday School 9 45 a m, Bible study for all ages

Morning Service 11 00 a m Sermon The Significance of the Old Scarred Hands-Blake

Music Duet and chorus by choir Prize Medley —Huntley Duet singing Mesdames W W Wallace and C H Hastor

Junior Endeavor 3 00 p m

Senior Endeavor 6 00 p m

Evening service

Union service at Baptist church Woodrow Wilson Memorial Service

Monday 8 0 p m Missionary Society

Wednesday 7 15 p m Church Night

A new species of spider with eight legs of red and striped with black has made its appearance in Colorado

WOMEN KU KLUX MAKE THEIR BOW FRIDAY NIGHT

The Women's Auxiliary of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan made its bow Friday night in the first social meeting of this fast growing Order. The meeting was held in the Klan hall and more than one hundred men and women were present to enjoy the occasion, which was featured by a banquet and a general good time was had by all

The table extended the length of the hall and was formed to represent a large cross, and being decorated with red bunting and United States flags, was a beautiful sight. At the head of the table there was also an electric cross of red globes and this also added to the beauty of the decoration.

The banquet consisted of baked turkey with all the necessary and delightful trimmings, and it proved that not only armies but private bodies also move on the stomach, as one speaker said.

Several good talks were made during the after-hour that was spent in a social way

A number of out of town guests, both men and women, were present and they all spoke in the highest terms of the Mexia organization and hoped for an early repitition of the delightful affair —A Guest.

S. M. U. Co-Eds To Sing All Over The State This Spring

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 9.—Twenty-three girl students of Southern Methodist University have been selected by Prof. J. Abner Sage to compose the Girls' Choral Club, which will make a tour of the state in the spring. They are.

First sopranos: Mildred Fleming, Mount Pleasant; Josephine Selecman, Dallas; Judy Clark, Mineral Wells; Madeline Abrahms, Dallas; and Sybil Stewart, Pittsburg. Second sopranos. Eudoxia Butler, Rusk; Elizabeth Richmond, Tillar, Ark ; Mattie B. Childers, Lufkin; Martha Robertson, Brenham; Kathleen Brown, Groesbeck; Majory McNeimur, Dallas; Mafalda Isaacs, Dallas, and Ima Leete, Dallas

First Altos Jean Mitchell, Gainesville; Constance Ruth Murray, Dallas; Helen Fontaine, Durant, Okla.; Beth Sewell, Brownsville; and Zelma Bassett, Kosse Second altos Geneva Merrill, Dallas; Blanche Shear, Temple; Mildred Martin, Wichita Falls; Edith Turner, Quinton, Okla. and Fannie Powell, Dallas

Joseph R. Harker, president of the Illinois Women's college, never went to college until after he was a member of the college faculty

Wild deer on Long Island ate enough of a five-ton truck load of cauliflower, sunk to the hubs in the soft marshland, to spoil the sale of it

Methodist Pastors At Blooming Grove For District Meet

The pastors of Methodist churches in the Corsicana district met in quarterly institute at Blooming Grove last Tuesday. At the morning service, Rev W B Andrews, pastor of the First Methodist church of Mexia, delivered the sermon which he preached here on Good Literature Sunday and which was given in full in last Sunday's Mexia Daily News. The sermon is reported to have created quite a stir and no doubt sent many of the ministers back home determined to urge the importance of good literature and clean pictures

CITY STREET FORCES WORKING ON CANTON

The city street force was busy Saturday grading North Canton st between Sumpter and Grayson. This street was torn up some time ago when a sewer line was put in and since the recent rains has been almost impassable, and people living in that section have been "going around" by other routes It is hoped that the work being done will put the street in passable shape

There are almost 2,000,000 acres of forest land in Montana and Idaho without either Federal or State supervision

H W Longmoor was here Friday from Denison

Jim Martin, Buell Jeffries, Charles Mills, Morris Lowe, and Cotes Mouser, students at Westminster, were in the city Saturday afternoon.

Drew Sawyer, of Shiloh, was in Mexia Saturday and stated that there is a large number of measles in his community.

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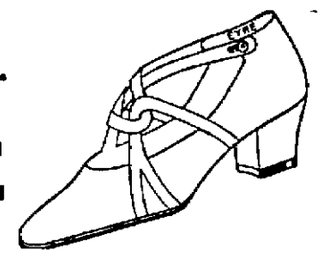

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—This assured style now ready in sizes and widths.

—The new light shades in Chiffon Hosiery.

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GOOD SHOES AND HOSIERY

SPRING

Just at this time every one is thinking of the new things for Spring. Every one is asking for the new—the things adopted by Dame Fashion for Spring wear. And to be of service to you in this respect is our highest ambition—to furnish you with the correct wear of the season.

Mr. Frazer Hendrix, our buyer, has just returned from the Fashion Centers of the East where he has been making purchases for our store the past several weeks. Purchases which he made are arriving daily and exclamations of delight are constantly heard from our customers as they view the wonderful garments as they are taken from their tissue packings and placed on display.

Next week will be an interesting one for shoppers at our store for loads and loads of the new will be received and placed out for your approval. Watch for our future announcements.

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Berlenbach May Be Next Heavy Champ

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Jack Dempsey, in one of his syndicated articles, says that the fighter who wins the championship from him must do it with his left hand. He reasons that his left hand is his best, and he will remain champion until some challenger comes along with a faster landing punch.

Dempsey, it will be remembered, survived two of the greatest right hands in the business: The lightning-like thrust of Carpentier and the bludgeon-swing of the powerful Firpo.

It would seem then that the champion is right when he figures that he will have to be beaten by a left hand.

There is only one fighter coming up who shows a real left hand, and he is Paul Berlenbach, the latest light heavyweight sensation. He is the finest looking prospect to come out since Dempsey started knocking them dead six years ago.

Berlenbach is just a few pounds over the middleweight class. He is only twenty-two years of age and he will fill out as he goes along. The way he has come along since he left the amateur ranks makes it seem that he may be the one who is to give Dempsey the real test.

Berlenbach has won 23 consecutive knockout victories and, in his first real test against Frank Carbone, he stopped a fighter who had never been knocked out before.

Berlenbach started out to be a wrestler. He is built ponderously about the neck and shoulders and he has a most powerful pair of arms. He seems to be a little bit muscle bound, but Dan Hickey, his trainer and instructor, feels sure that he can be loosened up.

Hughie McQuillan, one of the pitchers for the New York Giants, was the one who really got Berlenbach into boxing. He had tired of the amateur wrestling game, and one night McQuillan asked him to put on the gloves in a little amateur tournament that was being held in their club at Astoria.

Berlenbach consented, and he knocked out nearly every one in the club. He took a liking to the gloves and decided to try the game. In his first bout in Jersey he was knocked kicking, but he was not discouraged, and he finally consented to place himself in the hands of Dan Hickey, boxing instructor at the New York Athletic Club.

Hickey has done wonders with him, and it is improbable that he will make any mistakes in bringing him along. He is being built slowly and well, and in another year he ought to be the light heavyweight champion. There aren't many of the top-notch light heavyweight row who could stand up under his murderous left hand.

Foot Ball Stars Kings Of Campus

DALLAS, Feb. 9. Members of Southern Methodist University champion football team are "Kings of the Campus" these days.

Samples of the gold footballs, trophies awarded the members of the team, have arrived and have been displayed at the school here.

There are nine diamonds in the platinum "M" that adorns the football. The remainder of the trophies are expected to arrive any day.

BOYCOTT FRENCH CARS

BERLIN (United Press)—German owning French-made automobiles complain they are between the devil and the deep blue sea. When their cars are out of order, the German garages refuse to repair them because they are French and the French garages refuse to send spare parts because the cars are owned by Germans.

NOTICE

The Delphian Chapter will meet Wednesday at 3:30 p. m. at Lamar's. Every member is urged to be present as important business is to be transacted.

What You Want In Want Ads

If it's a job, something to sell, or buy, you'll find the way in News Want Ads. Our columns are read by the class of people whom you want to respond to your offer. Phone or write your ad.

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Many Wanted To Be The Public Executioner

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb., 9.—Though R. L. Coleman resigned as Warden of the state penitentiary at Huntsville rather than become state executioner under the new law abolishing hanging, scores of applications have been received by the Prison Commission.

The majority of the applicants are men who have at one time served in a law enforcement capacity. Several soldiers are included in the lot. All declare they have no scruples in becoming legal "butcher" of Texas condemned criminals.

Several of the applicants have presented their qualifications in person to Governor Neff. Each mail also brings a flood while down at Huntsville opposite the gaunt gray prison a kindly faced, warm hearted former warden lives the life of a country hotel keeper rather than be warden and "butcher."

Bill Boards Are Issue In Bexar County This Year

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Feb. 9.—To destroy or not to destroy the bill boards along the public highways in this section has become a hot question among the candidates for the state legislature.

Claiming that many states have enacted bills abolishing the billboards and that Texas should not be backward in this respect, several candidates favor their destruction. They also declare they destroy the scenic beauty of the roads and cause accidents when placed on some curves.

Opponents have marshaled an array of reasons for the boards retention and the voter is to be the final arbiter of the question.

MOTION PICTURE TO TELL TEXAS HISTORY TO THE WORLD

FORT WORTH, Feb. 9.—Application for charter has been filed with the Secretary of State in Austin for the Sam Houston Foundation, the incorporators being Clarence Ousley, Judge W. P. McLean, W. M. Massie, Homer D. Wade and Mary K. Brookes. This is the first official move in a Statewide undertaking.

The Foundation, through a membership campaign, will raise a sufficient sum of money for the production of a motion picture of Texas history centering on the colonization and revolutionary period and featuring Houston and Austin. The entire amount received in membership fees will be retired from the first earnings of the picture, and the Foundation will continue to share in the profits of the picture in perpetuity.

The fund so acquired will be administered by a board of trustees of not less than 150 prominent persons from all parts of the State and will be used for scholarships.

The incorporators who constitute the temporary board of directors acting jointly with an auxiliary committee, will determine the authority to pass on the historic accuracy of the scenario. The auxiliary committee will be made up of representatives of the Federation of Women's Clubs, the Historic Commission and the Daughters of the Republic.

The historic picture will be preceded by a prologue, "Texas Today" showing the development of all parts of the State. In this picture a girl from each Congressional district will appear, and one of these will be chosen for the honor of appearing as "Miss Texas." An effort will be made to discover Texas girls with screen talents to appear in the historic picture.

The temporary officers for the immediate work are Clarence Ousley, chairman; Homer D. Wade, of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, vice chairman; W. M. Massie, active vice president of the Fort Worth National Bank, treasurer; Mary K. Brookes, secretary; and Judge W. P. McLean, survivor of the Constitutional Convention and oldest active practicing attorney in Texas, legal advisor.

Camel Lived Here 590,000 Years Ago

SEATTLE, Feb. 9.—(United Press)—Animals peculiar to Asia at this day once had their home in the northwest, according to Marcus A. Hanna, instructor in geology at the Unievrsity of Washington.

An exploring party recently found bones believed ot have come from a leg of a camel and seemingly 500,000 years old, near Wenatchee, Wash.

"There is nothing unusual in that," Hanna said. "The camel was an American beast, and inhabited this continent for thousands of years before he emigrated to Asia by way of the Bering Strait.

Hanna declared that remains found in North America and particularly in the northwest, have long established the fact that the horse, the llama and the camel are all of the same ancestry.

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UNITED PRESS DAILY LETTER

MIDDLESBORO, Ky—Rather than leave the poor house where he has been an inmate since he could not make a living painting houses, Gustave Salomez has turned down a claim to a $1,000,000 he has inherited. When a nephew, John Salomez identified Gustave as the rightful heir to the fortune, Gustave told John to go back. "You can have the million—I don't want it," said Gustave.

WASHINGTON.—An investigation will be made by the war department of the desirability of pardoning 54 negro soldiers imprisoned in Leavenworth penitentiary for their part in the Houston riots of 1917. President Coolidge told two negro delegations who called on him at the White House.

DALLAS.—After a nation wide search for her missing husband, the body of Mrs. R. H. Walters, who died here last November 11 will be buried tomorrow. The body has been kept in a local undertaking establishment while officials vainly sought to locate the young woman's husband who left the city while the woman was ill.

DALLAS.—"Tin can" golf has been barred by police department orders. On complaint of Oak Cliff residents an order has been issued forbidding boys from gathering on a vacant lot in Oak Cliff and batting a tin can around with sticks. The din raised by the 30 or 50 boys each afternoon was too much for the residents of the vicinity.

WASHINGTON.—Hiram Johnson will not withdraw from the presidential race. He has said so in emphatic language.

"I consider it a contemptible trick that statements are issued every few days from Coolidge headquarters intimating that I will withdraw from the race," said Johnson. "I want to say once and for all that I am going to put up a brave fight and am going to stay in until the end."

WASHINGTON.—Centralization at Memphis, Tenn., of the executive and sales offices of the American Cotton Growers exchange now located respectively at Dallas and Atlanta has been decided on by trustees of the exchange. The transfer will be effected about July 1 and is for the purpose of locating the important administrative machinery of the exchange at a central point.

WASHINGTON.—Movements are already under way to erect some permanent memorial for Woodrow Wilson. School children at Peoria, Ill., have started a fund for a memorial while friends of the former president here are discussing a "Wilson shrine," in Virginia, across the river from Washington. Other plans include some sort of memorial here or at Princeton University. Efforts will be made soon to bring together a representative group of Mr. Wilson's friends and admirers to discuss plans for a suitable memorial to him.

DALLAS.—Lucille Garrison, six years old, has gone back to her home in Tell, Texas, with good prospects of completely regaining her sight which was partially destroyed by the accidental discharge of a gun Christmas day. Shot penetrated her eyes and Lucille was rushed to Dallas for an operation.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

The Men's Bible Class of the Methodist Church meets every Sunday morning at 9:35 o'clock.

A good comfortable room and most instructive lessons each Sunday.

You are cordially invited to visit our class and join us if you will.

We are seeking a new viewpoint, a new realization, a wider vision. G. A. Walters, Teacher.

Things to Be Remembered

Let us be careful lest we offend our fellow man and estrange him from us for it may be that God intends a message for us through that very one. God speaks to us through one another. We must not break the connection.

Let us so live that there will be a poise of perfect understanding of the Father, ourselves and our purpose. There is nothing else worth while in the life of man.

If we could only learn to turn all things of this life into good for ourselves we would begin to understand that it is our privilege and surely is worth while.

"The law of Jehovah is perefct, restoring the soul;
The testimony of Jehovah is sure, making wise the simple.
The precepts of Jehovah are right, rejoicing the heart;
The commandment of Jehovah is pure, enlightening the eyes.
The fear of Jehovah is clean, enduring for ever.
The ordinances of Jehovah are true, and righteous, altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold;
Sweeter also than honey and the droppings of the honeycomb.
Moreover by them is thy servant warned.
Who can discern his errors? Clear thou me from hidden faults.
Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sin;
Let them not have dominion over me;
Then shall I be upright,
And I shall be clear from great transgression.
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
Be acceptable in thy sight,
O Jehovah, my rock, and my redeemer." —The Psalmist.

FAREWELL TO THE CHIEF
By LENA MAY McKEDAY
(Age 14.)

President Wilson born in '56 to die in '24,
Was a man honored by all Americans and more.
All the great allied nations of the land
Owe their liberty and freedom to his great hand.
In a time of turmoil and awful strife
For love and humanity he gave his life,
That these countries might be united
And the wrongs done by others be righted.
In those fearful days when war did rend
It was he who tried to gain a better end.
He tried to make the world a better place to live,
Teaching us how to forget and forgive.
The soldiers who in the war did fight.
Loved him, thinking all was right.
There is not a single one of them left
Who is not by his death sorely bereft.
He all humanity did love and bless,
And humanity loved him none the less.
His rank in history will surely be
With Washington and Jefferson, you see.
Too much his praises we cannot shout
Whether we are all in our school or out;
The whole nation is bowed down with grief
Because they have lost their noble chief.
Death has come to claim a glorious prize
And left us standing with sad and weeping eyes.
We should not weep and grieve so
For he has found a beter land, we know.
We are looking for the time when we shall meet
Our noble chief at our saviors feet.

Carload of maiz on the track weigh at Munger Gin, also buy and sell all kinds of country produce.—Sawyer Fuel and Produce Co., 113 North McKinney St. Phone 359. 6-7

Map out your advertising campaign and follow it up. Give it your sober thought. It's a vital part of your business.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday

Woman's Home Minssionary Society at Baptist Church at 3:30 p. m.
Woman's Missionary Society at Central Presbyterian Church.
Woman's Missionary Society at First Methodist Church.

Tuesday

American Legion meets at Legion hall at 7 p. m.
Bridge Club meets.
Royal Arch Masons meet.

Wednesday

Delphian Chapter meets.
Prayer meeting at all local churches.

Thursday

Civic Club meets.
Rotary Club luncheon at Majestic Cafe, 12:15 p. m.

Friday

Friday Club meets.
Lions Club luncheon at Majestic, 12:30 p. m.

Saturday

Junior Dramatic Club meets.

Letters from People

SUNNY BOY

Keys & Mason
Attorneys at Law
Nussbaum Building
Mexia, Texas, Feb., 1924.

Mr. Garland Adair,
Mexia, Texas.

Dear Garland:

We have another poet in twon in the person of Hutch Hutchinson, as you will see from the following clipping written to me by him.

Yours truly,
I. W. Keys.

Its said by Ben of the Rotary Club,
That your matched up to be my Dub,
Now if that be true, and I'm tied to you,
I'll stand no fooling, but want you to do.

So rise up early, and all the briefs file
And lets go to luncheon, in very grand style
In the Club there's an element, said to be rough
And the man to represent them, must be sure enough tough.

Your Sunshine Sister.

(With apologies to Ben Hunt and Pat Patterson.)

Tell who you are and what you have to sell through advertising.

Order your baby chicks now. White Leghorns. Ferris Strain.
GOOD HEALTHY CHICKS
Wallace Addition. Phone 641-L
Mexia, Texas

GARDEN TOOLS

Pretty soon you'll be wanting to plant your garden or maybe make over the yard.

If you have good tools the work will be a pleasure.

The place to find those tools is at our store. We carry a good line of rakes, spades, shovels, hoes, and garden plows and we want to sell these to you.

V. Wolverton Co.
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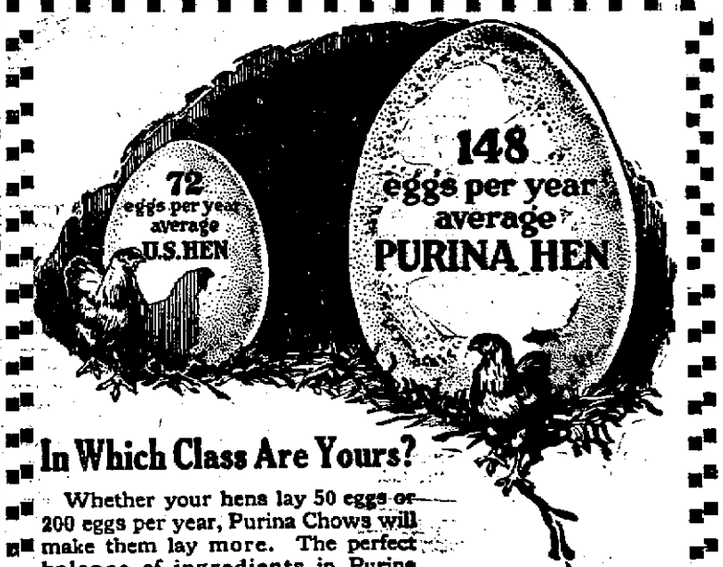

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Whether your hens lay 50 eggs or 200 eggs per year, Purina Chows will make them lay more. The perfect balance of ingredients in Purina Chows makes the difference. And the extra eggs not only pay the difference in the feed cost but also give you a fine extra profit.

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Mexia Fuel & Feed Co.
PHONE 52—MEXIA, TEXAS

They Paid $200,000,000
for Studebaker cars last year
Find out why folks did it

LAST year 145,000 people paid over $200,000,000 for Studebaker cars.

The demand for these cars has almost trebled in three years. It has become the sensation of Motordom.

There is a new situation in the fine-car field. You should learn what it means to you.

* * *

Studebaker had to lead in this field. This concern has led in its lines for two generations. Any other place would be unfitting.

This is how we became the world's largest builders of quality cars.

$90,000,000 assets

Studebaker has $90,000,000 of assets. Of this $50,000,000 is invested in modern plants and equipment.

We have spent $32,000,000 for new plants and equipment during the last five years. So they are modern and efficient. They contain 12,500 up-to-date machines.

We have $8,000,000 in drop forge plants, $10,000,000 more in body plants. So we build complete cars without paying other makers profits.

We spend $500,000 yearly on an engineering staff. There are 125 skilled men employed in our department of Research and Experiment. They make 500,000 tests per year.

We employ 1,200 inspectors. Each Studebaker car must pass 30,000 inspections during manufacture before it leaves the factory.

Those enormous facilities enabled us to produce the utmost in a car. And we had the will to do it.

No stinted costs

We never stint on costs. Every steel used is the best steel for its purpose, regardless of the price. Then on some steels we pay makers a 15 per cent bonus to insure exactness in them.

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Every Studebaker car is Timken-equipped. The Special-Six and the Big-Six have more Timken bearings than any car selling under $5,600 in America. The Light-Six more than any competitive car within $1,000 of its price.

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We use genuine leather upholstery.

We use Chase Mohair for the closed car upholstery. Some good upholstery would cost $100 less.

To curb vibration, we machine all surfaces of crank shafts, as was done in Liberty Airplane Motors. Very few cars do that.

How such prices?

How can we give such extra values—scores of them—yet sell at our low prices?

Because these values brought us buyers—145,000 last year. The major extra costs are divided by enormous output.

Let us show you the extras you get, because of these matchless facilities.

Learn Why 145,162 Bought Studebakers in 1923.

Studebakers hold the top place in the fine car field today.
In 1919, the public paid over $80,000,000 for 39,356 Studebaker cars.
In 1920, the public paid over $100,000,000 for 51,474 Studebaker cars, an increase of 31% over 1919.
In 1921, the public paid over $120,000,000 for 66,643 Studebaker cars, an increase of 29% over 1920.
In 1922, the public paid over $155,000,000 for 110,269 Studebaker cars, an increase of 66% over 1921.
In 1923, the public paid over $201,000,000 for 145,162 Studebaker cars, an increase of 32% over 1922.
In 1924, business has opened with Studebaker as never before.
Learn why all these buyers preferred Studebakers.

LIGHT-SIX 5-Pass. 112 in. W. B. 40 H. P.		SPECIAL-SIX 5-Pass. 119 in. W. B. 50 H. P.		BIG-SIX 7-Pass. 126 in. W. B. 60 H. P.	
Touring	$ 995.00	Touring	$1350.00	Touring	$1750.00
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Jackson Brothers
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Latest Patents of Interest to Motorists

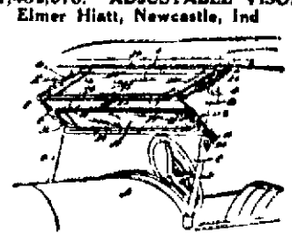
Recently Granted by U. S. Patent Office

Compiled by CLARENCE A. O'BRIEN, Registered Patent Attorney, Washington, D. C.

1,481,965 BUFFER George Albert Lyon, Philadelphia, Pa.

1. The automobile buffer comprising two spring steel strip members each having a rearwardly extending attaching member an end loop and an inwardly extending connector portion having a forwardly bent V-sectioned stiffening aligning cross section, a co-operating contact connecting member of spring steel plate having outwardly extending connector portions formed with similarly bent V-sectioned aligning cross section co-operating with the connector portions of said spring strip members, said contact connecting member having vertically separated upper and lower contact portions of similarly stiffened angularly bent cross section to form a generally diamond shaped contact member, at least three times as high as said strip members adjacent the central part of the buffer and clamping devices to rigidly hold together the co-operating connector portions

1,482,078. ADJUSTABLE VISOR. Elmer Hiatt, Newcastle, Ind



1. An adjustable visor comprising in combination a frame including a front compression member and upper and lower side members at each end portion of said compression member the upper and lower side members at each end of the same swingable toward and from each other with the fulcrum at the end portion of said compression member a flexible panel fitting between the upper side members and a flexible panel fitting between the lower side members and flexible devices connecting the side members and end portions of their respective panels said flexible devices having a tendency to draw the free end portions of opposite side members toward each other and retain the flexible panel taut when an object is interposed between the free end portions of said side members

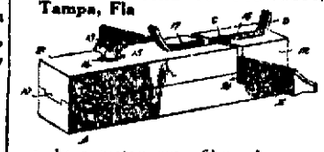
1,481,364 AUTOMOBILE BUMPER. Conrad Hansen, San Francisco, Calif., assignor to American Chain Company, Inc., Bridgeport, Conn., a Corporation of New York.

1. The combination with a bumper member designed to extend across the end of an automobile of rearwardly extending attaching arms therefor said arms having means at their rear end for attachment to the automobile frame and having intermediate offsets forming abutments to engage the automobile frame members endwise and thereby resist impact against the bumper member said attaching arms comprising flat steel bars lying in a vertical plane said arms having a portion between said end attaching means and said abutment disposed at an angle to the vertical to afford clearance when in place upon the machine

1,481,836 CURTAIN LIGHT FOR MOTOR VEHICLES Jacob Hammerl, Detroit, Mich., assignor to Packard Motor Car Company, Detroit, Mich., a Corporation of Michigan

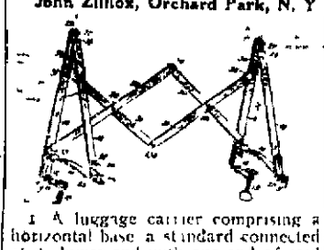
1. In a certain light metallic pane and fabric clamping members a screw connecting said members having an inwardly projecting shank a threaded stud on said screw and a finishing member adapted to cover a face of said clamping members and having spring socket means to engage said stud

1,481,595. PISTON-RING-FILING DEVICE. John A. Flanders, Tampa, Fla



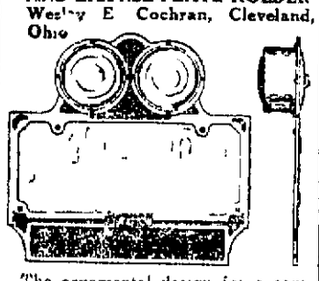
1. In a piston ring filing device a piston ring support means for guiding a file element operating between the terminals of a piston ring supported thereby and means coacting with such ring when the latter is pressed against the support to force the terminals thereof against respective faces of an operating file element, said means acting to maintain the alinement of the terminals of said ring with each other

1,482,338 LUGGAGE CARRIER. John Zilliox, Orchard Park, N. Y



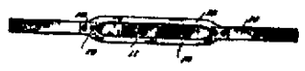
1. A luggage carrier comprising a horizontal base a standard connected at its lower end with one end of said base and provided at its upper end with a button having a reduced neck and an enlarged head and a brace detachably connected at its lower end with the opposite end of said base and provided at its upper end with a curved lip which engages its convex side with said standard and which has a longitudinal slot receiving the neck of said button

63,842 COMBINATION LAMP AND LICENSE-PLATE HOLDER Wesley E Cochran, Cleveland, Ohio



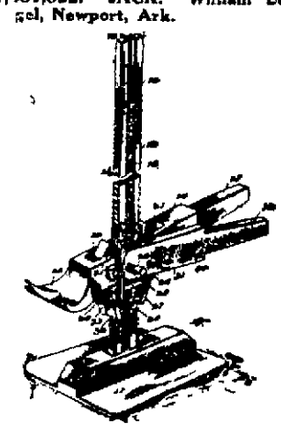
The ornamental design for a combination lamp and license plate holder, as shown

1,482,226 BUMPER FOR AUTOMOBILES. Rollie B Fageol, Oakland, Calif., assignor to American Chain Company, Inc., Bridgeport, Conn., a Corporation of New York.



1. A bumper for automobiles comprising a pair of flat resilient loop end horns having forward portions terminating in the same horizontal plane, the ends of said portions being spaced apart a distance substantially equal to a car frame upon which the bumper is mounted, and an increased impact area plate interposed between and connecting the forward terminating ends of said horns, said plate being pressed from a single piece of metal to form a substantially elliptical frame of channel section the inner edges of said frame sections being integrally united by a web

1,481,822. JACK. William Bengel, Newport, Ark.



1. A jack including an upright having a supporting base and opposite ratchet faces a lever slidably guided on the upright and oscillatable with respect thereto said lever being directly engageable with the work at one end and having an opposite handle end spring controlled dogs pivotally supported by the lever and having depending portions engaging the ratchet faces of the upright and a member carried by and shiftable with the lever and movable between and in engagement with the engaging portions of said dogs to force the latter out of engagement with the ratchet faces of the said upright

Missionary Society Holds Two Study Classes In Every Month

The program of the Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church of Mexia calls for two study classes each month. On the second Monday of the month the class studies a book by Edward Increase Bosworth, entitled "Thirty Studies About Jesus." These studies are intended to bring out certain main points in Jesus' life and teaching that will help those who use them to know more about Him and to have more to do with Him."

The initial lesson in our new book will be studied on the fourth Monday of February. This book is. "The Child and America's Future," published jointly by the Council of Women for Home Missions and the Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada The author, Jay S. Stowell, has long been a student of child welfare. He was put in charge of the Bureau of Publicity of the Board of Home Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church which gave him an opportunity to study conditions throughout every section of America.

The ladies of the Missionary Society stand ready at any time to cooperate with the other organizations in Mexia that are fostering movements for a better Mexia. They feel that a careful study of this book will be shown in tangible results.

The study classes meet at the parsonage, 605 East Commerce street at 3 00 o'clock on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. Competent leaders are appointed for each lesson and round table discussions invite the opinion of all those present. The ladies of this Church are urged to join the classes and we cordially invite others who may not be affiliated with other societies to meet with us.

Mrs W. B. Landrum,
Superintendent of Study.

March McCall's Magazine now on sale at Pioneer News Stand.

PLUMMER.

Miss Ella Mae Plummer, age about 16, died at the home o fher grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henton Plummer, in the Kickapoo community Friday night at 11 o'clock of pneumonia complicated with measels. She was buried Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Kickapoo cemetery surrounded by many sorrowing friends among whom she was very popular Rev Joe Jones, of Shiloh read the burial service.

The deceased leaves several brothers and sisters and a grandfather and grandmother, Mr and Mrs Henton Plummer. Her father and mother, Mr and Mrs. Luther Plummer, are both dead, and the young lady prior to her death had been making her home with her grandparents

The News joins with the many friends of the family in extending sincere sympathy to the seurviving loved ones in their hour of great sorrow

The Justice court finished its roundup of the fortune tellers in the city when Judge Osborne Kennedy ordered Annie Buchanan, colored diviner of regio town, to appear in his court and answer charges of telling fortunes. The accused was released after hearing on a fine.

Walter Cook was in the city Saturday afternoon from Shiloh.

Young Pepole Of The Central Presby Church To Hold Unusually Interesting Program

The following unusually interesting program will be given at 7:15 by the young people of the Central Presbyterian church

Leader Taylor Jordan

Subject He Saved Others Jesus Thirsted

Song by congregation

Scripture reading Mrs S A Mc 3:1-12, 21

Prayer by members followed with Lord's prayer in unison

Christian Consecration—Warren G Dale

Duet—Miss Lois Parker—Miss Spooner

Christ and Immortality J D Morrison

Song by congregation

Our Boys and Girls—Mrs Lucy Mc

Responsibility of Womanhood—Mrs Hollis Clark

Reading Mrs Maurice Stevens

Talk on the church by Rev Joiner

Prayer by members and the subject for next week

Benediction

The public is cordially invited to attend these services with us at the hour and we will be with us

AROUND THE CLOCK
WITH TEAPOT DOME

Today

The state senate is called to adopt the resolution now demanding Denby resign

The senate committee will hear testimony how valuable Sinclair claims oil from Teapot Dome—if available I will willing to pay a large amount to settlement other claims interested with E G Bonfils to remain below

The committee may consider also nomination of Mrs Pomerene and Julius H Barnes presidential speculation

Yesterday

Testimony has been defended Burton Mendes

Senators may make public some information regarding Hall's validation of California leases which every prosecuting attorney had held invalid

Yesterday

The committee heard the beginning of Bonfils story how he published in the Denver Post got the facts about Falls sudden wealth in New Mexico suppressed those facts, how he got hold of some claims to part of Teapot Dome, how he went to Sinclair with the hidden facts and the claims and got $250,000 in cash and a contract for $1,000,000 more

The Senate itself listened to a blistering excoriation of Secretary Denby by Senator Walsh who demanded he be driven from public life, not impeached

President Coolidge, in announcing his signature of the Walsh resolution ordering him to start to cancel the leases said he was going to get immediate ruling by the courts on both the civil and criminal angles of the oil scandal

Negro Charged With Reckless Driving Friday

Friday evening about 8 o'clock Will Echols colored, ran into two cars on the Tehuacana road near Mexia, damaging both cars but injuring no one Echols was driving a Buick and was said to be making a fair rate of speed when he lost control of his machine and side swiped two Ford roadsters which were driving one behind the other The wheels of both roadsters were smashed in the collisions and the Buick was thrown into the ditch Echols was arrested by Mexia officers and placed in jail charged with negligent driving

Mr and Mrs M G Olsen were visitors to the city Friday from Waco

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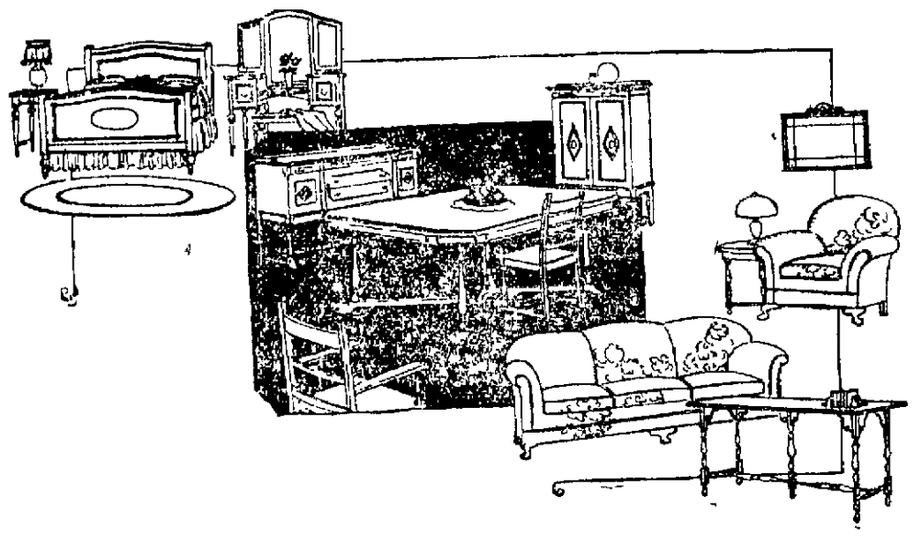

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HOME DRESSMAKING

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Slip Slip With Princess Front

Fashion's New Ideas in Youthful Underthings

scallop with small running stitches, then pad them with soft cotton. To make the buttonhole stitch, begin at the left hand of the work, a little distance up from the edge. Draw the needle through the under edge of the material and then through the loop. Again hold the thread down with the left thumb and place the needle a little distance from the first stitch. Again bring it down through the loop. At the corners of the scallops, make the stitches slightly shorter.

There are many other pleasing ways of trimming the armholes and lower edges of the skirt. A narrow ruffle of embroidery is always acceptable, as are also frills of Valenciennes, Irish crochet or cluny lace.

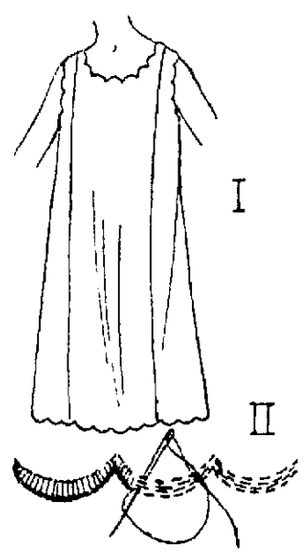

Fig. I—Front of Slip.
Fig. II—Embroidered Scallops.

Sometimes when buttonhold scallops are used, a frill of soft thread lace is added to protect the edge of the embroidery.

AMERICA NOT INDIFFERENT

By FRANCIS H. SISSON,
Chairman, Public Relations Commission, American Bankers Association.

While the facts justify the belief that the financial and general economic strength of the United States

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is so great that it creates a stability here which cannot be seriously shaken by the adverse conditions in Europe, it still remains true that an attitude of indifference to these distressing conditions is unworthy of the American people. In fact, I believe that such indifference does not exist. The nation is observing with deep interest the progress of events abroad and has given many evidences of a readiness to aid in restoring normal conditions there whenever it is seen that a suitable opportunity is afforded.

Our people have naturally been reluctant to act while the European nations still fail to display the will to accept the only terms on which rehabilitation is possible, and to abandon their mutual hatreds and distrusts, their persistence in preparation for further warfare, and their destructive political and financial policies. Such policies have so weakened the credit of some of the continental nations that the task of aiding them seems futile until it is clear that these policies are discredited and disowned by them.

Although it seems clear from the record of recent years that America, more perhaps than any other country, has been and will continue to be able to adjust itself without serious disaster to the conditions created by European depression, and has in its own vast domestic market and in other non-European markets an outlet for its products adequate to maintain a fair degree of national prosperity, the fact remains that it is very definitely to the selfish interests of the United States to have Great Britain and the European continental countries regain their normal prosperity at the earliest possible date. They normally absorbed between 60 and 70 per cent of American exports, but recently have been taking less than 50 per cent.

Moreover, the rich contribution which Europe has made in the past to the upbuilding of other parts of the world, including the United States, would seem to create a genuine obligation upon other countries to come to its aid in the present period of difficulty. General well-being throughout the entire world will be diminished to a degree as long as Europe is unable to play its part in production and consumption of valuable products. It possesses vast resources of skill and equipment for the production of useful commodities in demand by all nations, and loss continues while these resources are limited in their use by poverty and by adverse political and social conditions.

That the share of the United States in this loss is relatively small should not preclude an active interest in every promising effort that may be made to restore the European nations to economic and financial health.

For Community Betterment

The Committee on Agriculture of the Missouri State Bankers Association has sent out a questionnaire to all members to secure a frank opinion as to what are the most important community problems to be solved in the state. The questionnaire covers bank deposits, crops, schools, manufacturing, roads, junior club work, agricultural agencies, co-operative agencies, farm abandonment, land values, finances, dairying, and social life, with a view in determining what work should be undertaken for the year.

who spoke for him.

"Mr. Dahl was interested in Miss Lawson's musical career. She was a remarkable pianist, I hear," said Frederick Landeck, attorney.

Stock of the Brooklyn Manhattan Transit Company to the Value of $12,000 was found in Miss Lawson's name, held by Hayden Stone & Co., where Dahl had his offices.

A passbook issued by the Commercial Trust Company showed a balance to Miss Lawson's credit of $1,000.

H. S. Wofford of Coolidge was in the city Saturday.

C. E. Booth was here Friday from Austin.

E. J. Hunter was here from Sherman Friday.

W. H. Poole of Bay City was a visitor to Mexia Friday.

Hy Martin was here Friday from Waxahachie.

W. B. Langford of Normangee was a visitor to Mexia Friday.

O. A. Stubbs was here from Austin.

B. King of Waco was a Saturday visitor to the city.

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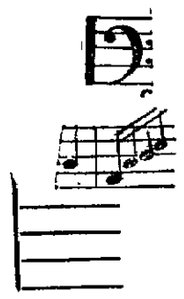
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ON THE WAY DOWN TOWN

B. SLABOOTS

I met Dr. Jackson and asked him how he enjoyed the meeting he started at the Methodist church. He replied that he did not stay and the way through, as he had heard forty-leven about 'amputies' and saving that they would be there. He added that he had never seen a possum don't want to see any, didn't think they ought to be allowed in a church and that he would not stay to see them.

About that time Pat Patterson came along and, naturally, the conversation changed. You know Pat has a way of changing the conversation when he arrives anyhow. It wasn't his hard times, however. He was worried. We found see that the conversation on asking him to explain he said that he felt sure that he had ruined himself with Ben Stakemeyer. We asked for details. He replied:

"It has been said that Walter Womack and most of us carry our respectability in our wives names and I have positively reached the conclusion that all of us carry our table manners in much the same place. While in Corsicana recently I ate at a perfectly good restaurant, but got in the habit of taking the napkin at the beginning of the meal to wipe my knife. Last night I was invited to dine at Ben's. We were merely seated and patiently waiting for the first course and I quite nonchalantly took up the silver and altogether unthinkingly rubbed it briskly. By the time I got to the spoon I realized what I had been doing, for Ben was glowering at me from the head of the table."

Pat was more down and out than I have ever seen him before and he asked me to write this so that Ben would know that he wouldn't do it again. For the first time in his life, Pat admitted defeat. He said that he was convinced that it was easier to be a philosopher than a humorist. If you don't believe it you go somewhere, he added, and clean all the silverware around your plate while the host is watching. Vain was his attempt to be funny the rest of the dinner, he admitted, as all of his jokes seemed to have no more influence on his host than a platform has on a political party.

By this time we had arrived at the Split Nickle Grocery, where Doc Corley was standing counting the caraway seed in a loaf of bread. "Sh," he said, "I had the thrill of my sweet ball headed life on Ross Avenue yesterday afternoon. We, the fair one and I, had been teasing the freckle out of a chocolattte cream of soda and were seeing the city, the motor way, when the fair one asked me if I'd like to see where she was educated. I told her no, and she then exclaimed 'There it is,' pointing to the Brown hospital.'

Enders Coover came along about this time with a plaster on his chin. I asked him where he was going and he replied to the post office to mail a letter in which he was sending an application for a patent to Washington. I knew he wanted me to ask it, so I questioned: 'Groover, what are you patenting, now?' He replied that he had invented two hand holes in the walls of bathroom. I knew why he was wearing the bandages then, but he went on to assert that there is nothing so slippery as a bath tub and nothing harder than the side of that same tub when it flies at your chin.

Texas Girl Is Murdered In New York

By FRANK GETTY
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Back home in the Texas town where her daddy kept a grocery store, Louise Lawson was a girl prodigy. Not a girl for miles around in the Lone Star State could play the piano as Louise could at 12. Her folks sent her to New York from Walnut Springs to complete her musical education—a little slip of a Texas girl with a winsome cultured manner that made her influential friends.

Today, a grief-stricken mother was hurrying north and physicians were performing an autopsy upon the brain of the girl who was 24 when she met violent death Friday, to determine whether she was strangled or smothered in her luxurious West Side apartment known as 'The Monastery.'

And it was not in musical circles that police and detectives searched for the murderer and motive but in the haunts of bootleggers and fences and the murky byways of the city's underworld where jewel thieves hide. Wealthy friends and sponsors of the Texas girl including Gerhard M. Dahl, chairman of the executive committee of a big transit company, were being questioned.

Miss Lawson's body, clad in a blue silk night gown was found sprawled in the abandon of death across the lace coverlet on an expensive mahogany bed in her apartment. Silken hose and torn strips of filmy underwear bound her hands and feet, while across her mouth, apparently the cause of death, a Turkish towel had been fastened with strips of surgeon's plaster.

Two men who gained admission to Miss Lawson's apartment a few hours before her body was discovered told the elevator boy that they were bootleggers.

Three jewel boxes, fashioned in mahogany that matched the furniture in the apartment had been ransacked. Platinum watches, diamonds and other jewelry were missing.

The movies lure had drawn the little Texas miss for a while, it developed and when she last visited Walnut Springs admiring friends of her childhood were given to understand she had become successful as a film actress. This explained the smart clothes and the brilliant gems she wore.

When police, summoned to the "Monastery" by the hysterical "yah-yahs" of a negro maid, found the slain girl's body and the evidences that jewel thieves, masquerading as bootleggers had committed the brutal crime they turned to a search of the victim's personal belongings.

Photographs of men, one on the mahogany dresser in a big silver frame, others scattered about the dainty furnished apartment, led to the true story of her life of the past four years.

She had been friendly with Angier B. Duke and had been present on the yachting party when that heir to a $50,000,000 tobacco fortune was drowned last September.

One of the photographs was inscribed "Jerry Doll," and astute detectives soon had translated this into Gerhard M. Dahl, of the Brooklyn Manhattan Transit executive committee.

The latter had engaged a lawyer

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About Retailers--the Growing Mass and the Dwindling Class

Goods which are well advertised nationally by the manufacturer are largely sold to the public before they ever reach the retailer.

Goods which are not advertised by the producer must be sold by the retailer.

In the one case, the manufacturer has done a great part of the job; in the other he has left it all for the dealer to do.

For many articles, national advertising creates an actual demand, so that all the dealer need do is to say: "You can buy it here." In other lines, the advertising identifies the product in the possible buyer's mind, arouses his interest in it and establishes his confidence in the maker, upon which the dealer can cash in by his own selling efforts.

But with unadvertised goods, the retailer must start from scratch.

Retailers who favor nationally advertised lines believe in selling what the public wants. They are a growing mass.

Retailers who favor unadvertised lines believe in selling what they want the public to buy. They are a dwindling class.

The ranks of these latter retailers are rapidly growing smaller because most of them are learning that public confidence is the basis of successful selling; that quick turnover is a shorter and surer road to profit than long discounts on slow-moving, dust-gathering goods; that even those customers who appear to swallow their selling talk on unadvertised merchandise have a discouraging way of not coming back for more.

Just the other day a paint and varnish dealer in California wrote to a manufacturer in the Middle West whose name is known through national advertising wherever varnish is used, "We are discontinuing our other lines and hereafter will center our efforts upon (mentioning the name of the maker's product) because the demand is for it."

About the same time a printer in a northern Ohio city was telling his paper jobber that thereafter he intended to standardize on a certain nationally advertised make of bond paper because "everybody knows it, and it is so easy to sell."

And a druggist who carries packaged chocolates stated that he stocked only the nationally known makes, with the exception of one make well known locally, because all he had to do was hand out what the customer asked for and take the money.

Ten years ago—yes, even five—the manufacturer's salesman who went around to the trade and talked about his firm's national advertising was likely to be met with the statement that it would be a lot better if his concern took the money it was putting into advertising and used it to enlarge discounts to the trade.

Today, the fact that he is a real national advertiser is a tremendous asset with the trade to any manufacturer, and his salesman's portfolio of advertising is as important as—very frequently more important than—his sample case.

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Shoe And Stocking Styles For Spring

By HEDDA HOYT
(Fashion Editor of the United Press)
(Written for the United Press)

PARIS, France, Feb. 9.—(United Press.)—"Soles for sale," last season's shoe drama, has been scratched off the fashion boards. After a long run, it has been decided that soles held together by straps had many bad lines, to say nothing of poor support.

Shoes are no longer mere wisps of leather attached to a heeled sole. Perhaps fashion is revolting against eccentric shoe styles, but more likely women are revolting against fallen arches and crippled instops. Paris still likes the strap idea for shoes, but insists upon some arch and foot support other than the tiny vamp that just covers the big toe.

Velvet for Shoes

Velvet is used quite as much as satin for dressy shoes this season. Models are usually made with the medium short vamp, but with good arch support. Buckles of rhinesont and rhinestone monograms are used frequently on these dressy shoes. Patents and other leathered shoes are also to be monogramed this year, with stenciled colors or with cut-outs.

Evening shoes can not be too glittering. There are some of silver cloth studded with rhinestone through out, others with entire heels of rhinestones with plain metal cloth used for the rest of the shoe. Brocaded slippers still retain their popularity, but are worn only with dark colored gowns, or gowns of the same material. Silver is by far the most important shade for evening and it is always worn with the flesh or nude stocking. Both silver and gold-dipped leather is being used, although it is not as attractive as the gold or silver cloth, to my mind.

Black shoes with pipings of contrasting colors are worn with the street frock. There are black shoes with red, purple and yellow pipings that go very prettily with the colorful embroidered frock. In no instance is the coloring blatant, however.

Red, green and blue shoes such as we saw last summer will not be as popular this season as last, although for sport wear there will be shoes that use these colors, but usually in conjunction with white. Spring will see many colors again, but subdued ones, such as taupe, deer shades, light browns and dark corn collar. Suede will be a popular feature for these colorings.

There seems to be no let up on light colored hosiery. Women have entirely given up the black stocking. Colors that verge on peach tones are favored by the Parisians.

Fashion Notes

Paris is wearing frocks with fringe from the knee down which carry out the flounce idea.

Summery frocks of voiles and linens have skirts made entirely of tiny ruffles.

The newest sports cape is hand-crocheted in lustered wool. A varicolored effect is produced by using rows of contrasting or blending colors with a fringe of these same tones. These capes are made on large needles and with a drop-stitch so that the effect is somewhat lacy. By knitting several rows of each different shade a striped effect is obtained.

The Spanish shawl will be used extensively for the summer evening wrap this season. It has been a popular wrap in England for years, but has never met with much success in America.

Mexia Girls Team Defeats Mart Tm.

The game between the Mexia Girls team and the Mart team Friday at the High School gymnasium was a speedy affair from start to finish. The Mexia girls are to be complimented on their endurance as they never slowed up. They started fighting and they ended fighting and through their efforts they won from Mart 26 ot 16.

The fight of Mexia's guards and the speed of their forwards were the chief features of the game. The accuracy of the forwards inshooting goals and the lose guarding of Mart's forwards by the scrappy little guards was the deciding factor of the game.

The lineup was—Mexia: Bybee and Irwin, forwards; Kennedy (c) and Hendon, centers; Travis and Turner, guards. Substitutes, Stewart for Travis and Taylor for Irwin.

Mart: Geisler and Rogers, forwards; Folley and Folley, centers; Lowry and Spencer, guards.

Referee, Mullins.

Mart Boys Beat Mexia Boys In Fast Basketball

The Mexia Hi Black Cats, minus the services of Captain Lucas and Treadway, lost a hard fought basket ball game to the Mart Hi aggregation at the High School gym court Friday night by the score of 27 to 13. The Mart team was much bigger in size than the locals but they had no more fight than the local squad led by Dutch Cox in the absence of Captain Lucas.

Cox and Buford did exceptionally well at guard postions and they gave the forwards of the Mart five no little worry. A new man, Hubert Simmons, playing at forward, played a jam up game for the locals. He caught the Mart signals at the very first and lost no time in breaking up their plays. He led the locals for points, making the first count, which was a long field goal in the first quarter. He is credited with six points, followed closely by Forrest with five to his credit.

Gillman, at forward and Thomas at center were the leading players for the Mart quintet.

Mexia— Player	F. G.	Foul G.	F. C.
Forrest, F	1	3	0
Simmons, F	2	2	0
Elitch, C	0	0	3
Kendrick, C	0	0	0
Cox, G	0	0	3
Buford, G	0	2	3
Totals	3	7	8
Mart— Player	F. G.	Foul G.	F. C.
Patrick, F	1	0	0
Gillam, F	4	2	2
Thomas, (Capt.,) C	5	1	2
Douglas, G	2	0	0
Harris, G	0	0	0
Sims, G	0	0	1
Totals	12	3	5

Bob Franks refereed the game and called a good game.

Rotarians Entertain Nairators At Luncheon Thursday at Noon

On last Thursday the Nairators were guests of the Rotarians at lunch at the Christian Church. The occasion was enjoyed by every member of the Nairators who heartily appreciate the interest that the Rotarians have shown in them.

After the luncheon, Mr. Stollenwerck reported the absence of several of the members. Motions were at once heard for shooting them at sunrise. W. B. Kendrick, Jr., then made a talk on the principles and ideals of the Nairators. He paid honor to the club by his creditable speech. Mrs. Denning next entertained the company with a song which was greatly enjoyed by all, especially by Reuben Storey who kept humming the tune the rest of the day.

Mr. Lowery Martin of Corsicana then brought forth the discussion of a Texas Semi-Centennial. He stated that the city of St. Louis first started out to have a city celebration. This movement grew so big that it became a state affair. It kept on growing until it became a national and then an international celebration. As Mr. Berry later stated, if the city of St. Louis started such a big thing, what can the State of Texas do? "Think it over."

A GREAT COMEDY TEAM IN THIS PICTURE

Charles Winninger and Hugh Cameron, two of Broadway's best known comedians, appear together in Thomas Meighan's latest Paramount picture, "Pied Piper Malone," adapted by Tom Geraghty from Booth Tarkington's original story and due at the National Theatre on Monday.

Winninger's work in "The Good Old Days," a recent success in New York City, has fitted him well for the role of Louise, the barber, in this picture.

Mr. Cameron plays the village photographer and you'll die laughing when he has an entire group "watching the birdie" and ready to be shot and then has to tell one of the men to stop posing with his thumbs in the armholes of his vest. And this is but one of the many comedy scenes in "Pied Piper." The inimitable pair keep right at their fun-making thruout its entire length, relieving the tenseness of the highly dramatic acting of the principal players.

Lois Wilson heads the supporting cast which includes George Fawcett, Cyril Ring and Joe Burke.

Students Observe Memorial Service

The saddest and most impressive assembly of the year was held in the High School auditorium Monday in observance of the death of Woodrow Wilson. Mr. A. Garland Adair made an address to the students and faculty upon the life of Mr. Wilson. Mr. Adair showed how the life of Woodrow Wilson might be taken as an example because of his high sense of honor and Christian ideals.

The school further showed its respect on this day by lowering the flag to half-mast, and observing the minute of absolute silence at three o'clock in the afternoon.

The ninth grade girls now taking the course in Foods which the eighth grade girls took last term, and they have entered the contest with the first year class in gaining and losing. Every morning about eight-thirty there is a scramble for milk bottles among the underweight girls while the overweight stand by and cast a longing look wishing they were under weight. The fat girls imagine that they are being treated very badly sometime as they cannot have the good things to eat that the slim girls are allowed. Some of the girls gained rapidly last term, while some came tumbling down, and a few remained the same.

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Westminsted And Hillsboro Tie

Westminster College basket ball teams, boys and girls, played Hillsboro College at Hillsboro Friday. The girls team won from the Hillsboro sextet with a score of 16 to 10.

In the first game between the boys, played Friday afternoon, the Westminster boys defeated the Hillsboro team by a score of 40 to 28. Stars of the game were Potter, who did excellent work for the Wildcats at guard and Erskine, whose goal throwing was mostly responsible for the victory. In the second game the Westminster boys were defeated by the score of 37 to 30.

The lineup for W. C. during both games was: Prince and McDonald, forwards; Mills, center; Potter and Hornbeck, guards. Erskine was substitute for Prince in the first game, and played at the same position during the entire second game.

In the games played sometime ago at Tehuacana between these same teams the Westminster teams both won from the Hillsboro teams.

"Aixem" Contest

The nominees for the popularity contest of the Aixem were selected last week. They are as follows:

Best Boy Athlete
Dutch Cox.
Wayne Thompson
Wayne Lucas

Best Girl Athlete
Clara Belle Bybee
Ruby Kennedy
Pearle Goolsby

Most Brilliant Boy
Machon Forrest
Reginald Thomas
Edward Allen

Most Brilliant Girl
Joy Adams
Undine Weaver
Josie Wright

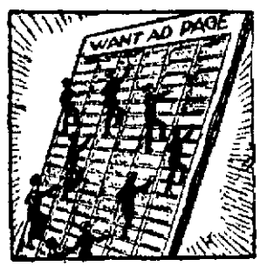
Best All Around Boy
Robert Stores
Marvin Bennett
Doyle Perkinson

Best All Round Girl
Georgie Hoover
Albertine Mace
Jessie Mae Sherrer

The contest proper will begin Monday. From 8:30 until 8:50 will be the voting time. The voting polls will be in the lower hallway. The four class solicitors and Machon Forrest will be at the polls at this time.

Every student should support these candidates and all votes from the public will be highly appreciated. The votes will sell for a penny a vote. Any one paying all or part of their subscription for the Annual will receive votes in proportion to amount paid on Annual.

Everybody vote. See that your candidate gets a full page in the 1924 Aixem.



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Freestone County Due for Big Pay

Situated in Freestone County "away back in the woods" so to speak we find some of the most interesting portions of Freestone county. It is not merely interesting in the fact that it is "way off" but in the fact that this territory which has long been neglected is to get a big play in oil "wild-catting." This is a country little heard of in papers yet geologically it means a lot to the wild-catter and geologist alike. Wells have been drilled and as the saying goes. Wells come and wells have gone, but the territory goes on forever." In referring to any one portion of the Southeastern end of Freestone county we practically speak of all parts of the southeastern end of the county. During the earliest days of wild-catting we find development being carried on by the Texas Company in which several test holes were drilled in the eastern section of Freestone County and the showing of these wells drilled in the neighborhood of ft and the show of oil greatly influenced this company to purchase heavily in land in fee, in mineral rights and in leases and no doubt this tends to draw considerable attention to this section at this time.

During the Mexia boom we find the wildcatters'—a group of promoters that embraced this section as "Mexia field" at least twenty miles and as a result of their activity this territory while receiving some notriety, was greatly overlooked by the honest-to-goodness developers. Many dry holes resulted, due to the fact that geology as used merely meant the blocking of acreage and the erection of derrick and the employment of an expert advertiser—all combining to produce the "mazuma."

This has been eliminated and each and every test will be certain to be thorough under present conditions. A "dry" hole can only condemn its twenty inch of surface. A case of this instance is recorded in the Powell field where a wild-cat in 1921 "dry" because a producing lease when drilled in 1923. It is true, wild-cats are usually dry except when pipe line runs prove otherwise but who can foretell what will develope in the region of former "dry holes."

The test ... erred to on the Keechi Dome was the No. 1 test of the Keechi Petroleum Company who using both rotary and standard tools completed the test to 3000 feet and the moving off ... four miles into Freestone county ... In their second test, the ... No. 1, located four miles ... At a depth ... feet ... have had considerable fishing we learn ... that ... boiling the bailer ... 50 per cent oil in the fluid ... Gas is also in evidence. This company has also made location for their No. 3 well located west of the Parker No. 1 and this is taken to mean that the formations to the west shall be given a test. Along this line it is noted that in Government reports: "Dry holes condemn country only so far as they show unfavorable sand conditions." Attention is drawn to several tests made in this territory heretofore: The Mike Haley Mexia Pool No. 1 near Butler encountered both oil and gas at 1700 and drilled a second test with rotary and failed to secure commercial production, yet the No. 1 Edwards of the Dorado Oil Syndicate in their Edwards' Ranch well at around 3000 feet also secured oil and gas showing that this territory widely separted at three different points secured the sands showing "favorable sand conditions." This can be taken to mean that it will be a matter of time before commercial production will be secured in this vicinity by some of tests now drilling or tests that will start up as a result of locations made.

From various sources we find that such "phenomena" as "bogs" on being vibrated produce "gas" which becomes ignited and burns. Other cases of asphyxiation of men digging water wells at shallow depths merely show that somewhere in this area is an unlimited possibility of handsome reward to the driller and company securing proper locations. Geology, heretofore unnoticed will play a big part in this territory as the "chance" is here and proper use of geology will determine the points of location, which were heretofore not uesd, but "water geology" or nearness to water and the least use of waterline predominating the choice of location.

The Dorado Syndicate in its No. 1 Edwards drilled during 1921 secured both oil and gas, yet geologists concede that location was not in line for proper production, and to test further the theory and geologists faith, a location has been made about 1 1-2 miles east of the location for another test well by other interests This location is 3 1-2 miles west of the Pickens test and on a location approved of being one of the best locations made in that vicinity Rig has been installed and it is reported that operations will be in effect within a short time. Rotary tools are to be used.

Near Butler we find that the Pool-McDaniel interests in their block of acreage which has been thoroughly geologized has a location and at an early date operations will commence. Another location has also been made three miles north of the Keechi well at what is known as "Jolly's Slough." The test will receive much attention from major interests.

Shirley and Gillespie in their Hackney-Weaver No. 1, 4 miles northwest of Teague are drilling below the Austin Chalk at around 2800 feet having the chalk at a higher depth than found in the McNeil-McDowell operation 1-1 mile east during the Mexia boom days The Gillespie and Shirley test has been showing gas and a real play is expected around this location.

Preparations are being made to start the test of Teague and it is thought within a short while the operation will be started.

The O. K. after a strong gas show in the 1700 foot depth with 8-inch casing set has bailed down the hole and a bridge developed and is being drilled out. If nothing developes plans call for the cleaning out to 3000 feet where 6 5-8, now on the ground will be set and a test made of a prolific sand encountered showing considerable gas and oil. This test has long been the center of attraction, being the oldest well in operation in this territory and a reward of success would mean much to the vicinity in which the Amarada interests have heretofore drilled three wells to the 3000 foot level and abandoned with no reports given out.

The Green well is drilling in the neighborhood of 4000 feet and developments are expected as the Abernathy test drilled last year is reported to have encountered a 27 foot gas sand but collapsed casing forced the abandonment. Other blocks of acreage is being formed and geologists are noted working in sections of Freestone county and it is believed that shortly the entire county will be in the midst of a big drilling campaign.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible School at 9:45. A class for every age. If you are not attending a Bible School we want you to visit us.

Worship and preaching at 11:00. Subject for the sermon: "The Cause of the Wreck." This is a sermon you should hear.

Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Come any enjoy and be benefited by this service.

At 7:30 we shall join in the Wilson Memorial Service which will be held at the First Baptist Church.

THE BIBLE NO FABLE

At the First Presbyterian Church, corner Bonham and Milam, this morning at eleven o'clock, the Pastor, Rev. E. H. Hudson, will preach on the above subject.

At 7:30 Memorial Service at First Baptist Church.

The Men's Bible Class at 9:45 will be taught by Mr. G. E. Mitchell.

The Young People of the Church will meet this evening at 6:30.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in Opera House building, second floor.

Sunday School at 10 a. m.

Wednesday evening meeting 8 p. m.

Reading room open from Monday till Saturday; hours from 12:30 to 4:00 p. m.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services and visit the reading room.

POST OFFICE AT BIG HILL CLOSED

The Bighill postoffice was officially declared closed on January 31. The books and records were turned over to postmaster V. T. Williams. Route one out of Bighill was changed to route 6 out of Thornton and Claude Rogers appointed temporary mail carrier, Fred Line having resigned.

Want Donkey Trail For The Kiddies

FT. WORTH.—A new feature planned for Forest Park here is a donkey trail for the kiddies.

George Clark, city park expert, is making a collection of gift donkeys and soon as he gets enough of the animals and selects a location the trail for the kiddies will be thrown open.

NOTICE

The McKinney Street Parent-Teacher Association will meet Thursday afternoon at 3:45 at the school building. All parents are urged to attend.

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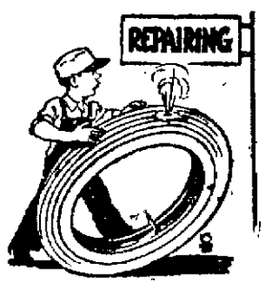

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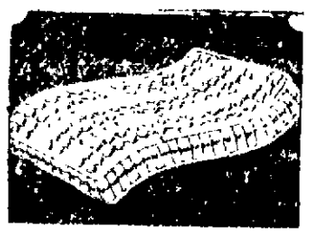
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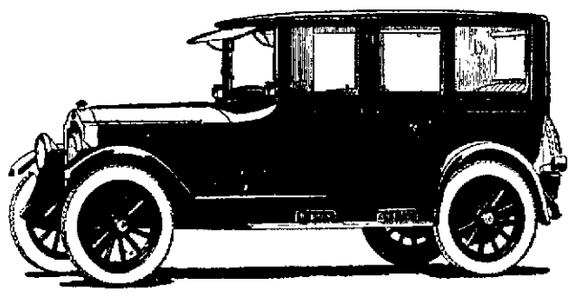
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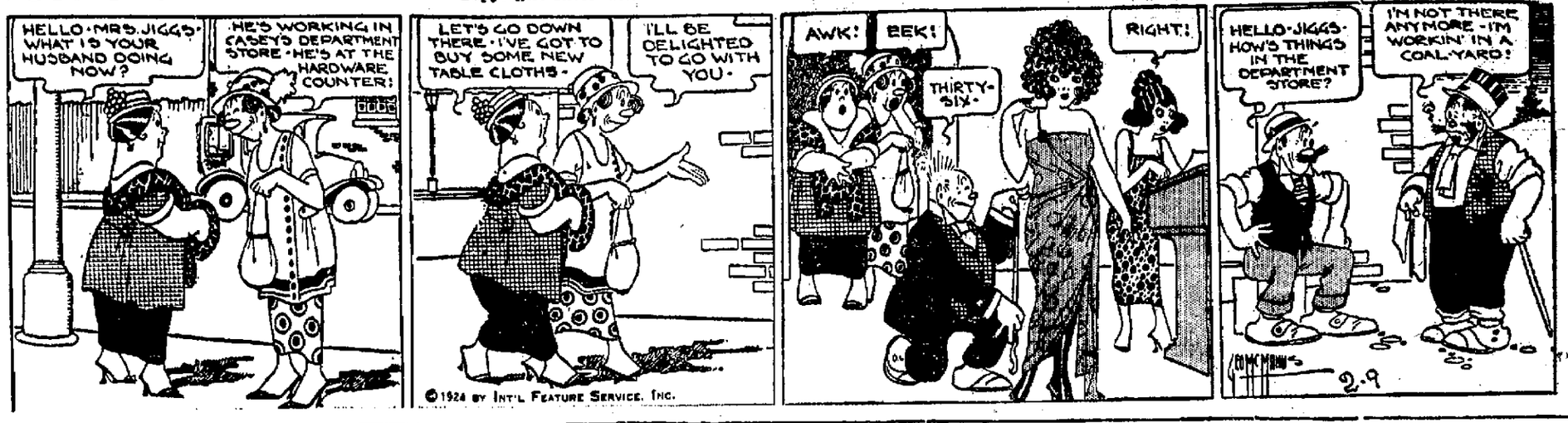
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HELP WANTED—A

WANTED—Confinement cases by experienced nurse. Best of reference. Phone 357-J. 18A30

WANTED—Colored woman for general housework. 143 E. Liberty St. 7A3

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LOST AND FOUND—D.

LOST—Scotish Rite ring between High School, South McKinney and Smith street. Phone 446-J, Mrs. Billie Gray. 6D3

LOST—Female bull pup with "Sonny" on her collar. Liberal reward for return to Pete Mayes, Stuart Auto Supply Co. 7D3

LOST—Men's hat between high school building and Roseland confectionery. Return to News Office, or call 116. 8D2

WANTED TO BUY—E

WANT TO BUY—J. K. Hughes Developing Company, E. L. Smith Oil Company, Mexia Heart of Pool Royalty Company, Powell Five Hundred, Jesse McLendon, room 1 McLendon building, Mexia, Texas. 18E30

WANTED TO BUY—A medium size safe for office use. Phone 52, Mexia Feed & Fuel Company. 5E1

WANT TO BUY—A good second hand Ford roadster, late model. Must be in good condition and a bargain. Box 62, care News. 8E3

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—F

WE SELL and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, new and second hand furniture. Phone 56. May 10tf.

FOR SALE—J

FOR SALE—One of best little cash suburban stores in town. Address "Grocery," Mexia News. 1J7

FOR SALE—No. 10 Royal typewriter newly overhauled and in good condition. Will sell at a bargain if taken at once. East Side Tailoring Co., 310 E. McKinney. Phone 602. 2J7

FOR SALE—Ford touring car; good rubber, several extras. A bargain for cash; also one Aubry Kincaid at Post Office. 8J2

FOR SALE—Three room house, two lots w. 2 improved on Brooks street, Terms. See Z. T. Fagg. 6J3

FOR SALE—Modern seven room furnished house. Two story double garage. Lot 100x115 feet. Call 6J3-J 7J1

FOR SALE—Farming implements, horse, wagon and hack for sale. 8 barrel water tank. On Meppen's place, near Cotton Gin. A. W. Davis. 10J1

HOUSES FOR RENT—K

FOR RENT—Five room house, all modern conveniences, corner Bonham and Bowie Sts. C. Felz, phone 313. 4K4

FOR RENT—Five room house close in, also light housekeeping rooms furnished. Apply 204 North Bonham, Call 65-J. 9K7

FOR RENT—Six room house and bath on South McKinney, also four room house, all conveniences on south Canton. C. J. Stribling, 503 S. Canton. 6K1

FOR RENT—Small three room house unfurnished, water furnished, wired for lights, piped for gas. 318 North Sherman, two blocks North Post Office. Phone 108-J. A. A. Steele. 10K3

FOR RENT—Small unfurnished three room house, water furnished, piped for gas and wired for lights, 2 blocks north P. O. 318 N. Sherman. Phone 108. 9K2

FOR RENT—Five room unfurnished house, also two furnished rooms for light housekeeping, all conveniences. 723 S. McKinney. Phone 383-W. 6K4

FOR RENT—Completely furnished modern home. On paved street. 803 E. Commerce. Phone 219. 5K3

FOR RENT—Three room box house. Beaver boarded. Phone 384 or 387. 10K4

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FOR RENT—Two room furnished connecting apartment with all modern conveniences. On paved street to couple without children. For information call 202-W. 6L3

FOR RENT—Three furnished light housekeeping rooms. 307 N. Ross. Also one oil derrick for sale. Phone 318. 6L7

WANTED—60 acres of good smooth farm land to plant in cotton on halves as close in town as possible; not over 5 or 6 miles out. See M. Andrews at H & T. C. Baggage Room, Mexia. 7P3

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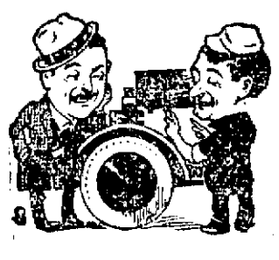
FOR RENT—One large downstairs room. Also two upstairs rooms suitable for light housekeeping. 419 N. Red River. Phone 415-L. 10L3

NOTICE TO ALL STOCKHOLDERS OF HUMPHREYS OIL COMPANY

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of Humphreys Oil Company, duly and legally called and held in the city of New York on Thursday, February 7th, 1924, of the time and place of which meeting and object and purpose thereof, each member of the Board received more than three (3) days' notice, and at which meeting a majority of the whole Board were present, a resolution was unanimously adopted that in the judgment and opinion of the Board of Directors it was deemed advisable and for the best interests of the corporation and its stockholders, that said Humphreys Oil Company should be dissolved and its franchises surrendered, and further, a special meeting of the stockholders is called to meet at the office of the company at Mexia, Texas, between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and three o'clock in the afternoon, to wit: at eleven o'clock A. M. on Saturday, March 1st, 1924, for the purpose of considering and taking action upon said proposed dissolution. The Secretary of the corporation was authorized and directed to mail within ten (10) days after the date of said directors' meeting, notice to each stockholder of the adoption of such resolution, which has accordingly been done.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
(Signed) COL. H. MAUD,
Secretary of Humphreys Oil Co.
Feb. 8-15-22



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NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

THORNTON

Glena Juanell, age 2 years, 2 months and 28 days, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira W. Brates, died Thursday, January 31. Her remains were interred in the Cobb Cemetery Friday afternoon, Rev. W. W. Woodson of Groesbeck conducting the burial service.

A short memeorial service was held for Former President Woodrow Wilson, here Wednesday afternoon about 3:30. School adjourned and teachers and pupils came down and gathered around the flag pole with many others. Mayor Black was master of ceremonies. The service was opened by the children singing "America." Judge Tucker, O. R. Rasco, and T. J. Fortenberry made appropriate talks. V. T. Williams offered praper, after which the crowd dispersed. All business was suspended during the time.

Some unknown person cut the lock on Thornton Hardware Company's front door Wednesday night. Nothing was reported missing by the proprietor, however.

Mr. Holton has donated and put out hackberry trees enough for the entire east side of the school grounds. Some time ago Judge Tucker gave the school about thirty valuable books to be used in the library. These books which consist for the most part of histories, have only recently been brought to the school building.

Representatives of the Sheriff's department brought in a still Tuesday which they captured some distance east of town. This makes quite a number of stills captured in this territory.

Willie Hudson and Miss Fae King were united in marriage by Judge C. C. Hudson at his home Saturday night, February 3rd.

FAIRFIELD

The Grand Jury which has been in session in Fairfield for ten days reports that it has examined 156 witness and has returned 53 true bills, 39 for felonies and 14 for misdemeanors.

T. B. Newman who has been acting as postmaster for the Fairfield office for several months, received this week his certificate of appointment as postmaster, signed by the President.

When the Lions club of Teague learned that President Watson of the Freestone County Fair had called a meeting of the Board of Directors for Friday, February 8th, that being the Lions Luncheon Day, they immediately got in touch with the Fair president and invited him and his board to be their guests that day. President Watson immediately accepted the invitation. When asked about the Fair, President Watson expressed great optimism, saying that the outlook for a successful fair this fall was never so good as at the present time.

A memorial service in honor of Woodrow Wilson was held at the court house last Wednesday evening. The service was conducted by Rev. I. O. Dent. Speakers on the program were District Judge A. M. Blackmon, Hon. James Kimball, and Hon. R. L. Williford.

Mrs. Jim C. Anderson died last Thursday at the home of her son, Claude Anderson, eight miles east of Fairfield. Her remains were intered in the old Mt. Zion cemetery south of Turlington, Friday. Rev. H. L. McKissack conducted the services.

In a series of basket ball games played at Wortham Wednesday between Fairfield, Kirvin and Wortham, Wortham defeated Fairfield by a score of 11 to 2, and Kirven defeated Wortham with a margin of 3 points thereby earning the right to represent the county in the district meet at Calvert Friday.

WORTHAM

Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock memorial services for the late ex-President Woodrow Wilson were held here in the auditorium of the High School building. The school children with Miss Ilaman Moon as leader sang several appropriate songs. Rev. M. D. Maxwell offered prayer and Rev. W. T. Boulware read the scripture lesson. Judge James Spiller delivered the memorial addsess and Rev. G. W. Bounds pronounced the benediction.

A brief review of the home mission study book, "The Debt Eternal," was presented in the auditorium of the Central Presybterian Church on last Friday evening by the Woman's Missionary Society. The program was educational in the main. American flags gave a patriotic background and the note of patriotism was hearlded by the singing of "America the Beautiful." After a prayer and a few preliminary remarks by the president, Mrs. J. J. Stubbs, the program was rendered.

The members of the Pleasure and Profit club were entertained in a unique and original way when Mrs. H. O. Tatum was hostess on last Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. P. Stubbs. Ferns and blooming pot plants transformed the apartment into an indoor flower garden. The entertainment was arranged to commemorate the three notable days of February, St. Valentine Day, and the birth days of Washington and Lincoln, and three tables were arranged to celebrate the three events. Refreshments in the form of chicken salad and wafers, hot chocolate and cake were served. Plate favors were tiny handpainted hatchets.

Hampton Steele of Thornton, who has been visiting relatives here for several days, went down to Groesbeck Saturday to attend the Lynch Davidson speaking.

INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL

WHO?—Single persons who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net in come of $2,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first $4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over $6.000 for the year 1923.

H. & T. C.
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North bound—

345	From cut-off	1:47 p. m.
15	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:44 p. m.
31	Dallas Ft. Worth	12:50 p. m.
37	Dallas Ft. Worth	5:14 a. m.
17	Dallas Ft. Worth	4:35 a. m.
19	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:55 a. m.

South bound—

346	To cut-off	7:00 a. m.
16	Houston San Antonio	11:45 a. m.
32	From Dallas	10:08 a. m.
38	Austin San nAtonio	12:21 a. m.
18	Houston San Antonio	1:37 a. m.
20	Houston San Antonio	12:16 a. m.

T. & B. V.
North.
No. 8—3:25 p. m.

South.
No. 7—12:55 p. m.

CANDIDATES
Announcements
1924 ELECTIONS

LIMESTONE COUNTY

The following candidates for the offices named submit their names subject to the action of the Democratic primary election to be held in Limestone county on the 26th day of July, 1924:

For Governor—
FELIX G. ROBERTSON.
For District Judge, 77th Judicial Dis.
C. H. MACHEN
For Judge 87th Judicial District—
J. ROSS BELL
(Re-Election 2nd Term)
For District Clerk—
ELLIS DICKERSON.
M. A. AINSWORTH.
For County Judge—
H. F. KIRBY (Re-election sought)
JOHNSON WAKEFIELD
B. W. MILES.
For County Tax Assessor—
TOM M. CAIN
R. W. (BOB) STEEN
A. A. HYDEN.
J. L. HIGGINBOTHAM
For Tax Collector—
W. A. ROBBINS. (re-election.)
For County Treasurer—
H. C. FITZGERALD.
For Sheriff—
WHIT POPEJOY (re-election.)
For Commissioner Precinct No. 4—
JOHN M. KENNEDY, (re-election)
For County Treasurer—
MRS. LULA OATES, (re-election.)
County Attorney—
SCOTT REED (re-election, second term.)

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Texas University Wants Centennial Held on Campus

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 9—From $1,000,000 to $2,000,000 can be saved by the executive committee of the Texas Centennial Exposition if it decides to hold the celebration in Austin on the campus of the University of Texas, is the opinion of Will H Mayes, former lieutenant governor of Texas and now chairman of the department of journalism of the University

Mr Mayes pointed out that when the celebration is held the new athletic stadium at the University, with its 60 000 seating capacity, will be completed The exposition could hold its pageants and various outdoor events on the athletic field while the crowds could be accommodated in the stadium The University has its forty acre campus and also owns 135 acres of adjoining land All of this adjacent land could be utilized by the Exposition On the University properties are scores of homes that could be converted into office and concession buildings for the celebration A number of permanent buildings adaptable to both exposition and University purposes could be built by the exposition committee and later these could be used for gymnasiums and various other purposes by the University This plan would prevent much waste and needless expenditures of money for the erection of temporary buildings that could be used only during the exposition Mr Mayes stated that the Board of Regents of the University doubtless would be glad to cooperate with the exposition committee and share part of the expense of erecting such buildings as could afterwards be used by the University

Austin needs a new auditorium and it is believed that the city might be willing to build it on the University property where it could be used by both the city and the University the building could be used during the celebration for public addresses and also for entertainment, according to Mr Mayes

The cooperation of the University of Texas and the city of Austin in the exposition would mean $1 000 000 to $2 000 000 dollars toward the exposition company The State of Texas also could save considerable money by getting needed buildings for the University erected

Endorsed by Mr Yakon Executive Secretary of the Texas Centennial Exposition the plan to hold the celebration on the campus of the University of Texas will be discussed by the executive committee of the exposition at a meeting to be held in Austin on February 15 at which time the celebration will be decided upon

Nowlin Notes

Under the act of June 15, 1917, enlisted men in training for commissions who received less than $100 per month while in training, are entitled (subject to conditions stated in the following paragraphs,) to the difference between $100 per month, and the amount received by them, during the period of training

Not Payable for Training Subsequent to June 30, 1918, or Prior to June 15, 1917.

The Act did not authorize pay at the $100 rate beyond the life of the appropriation, June 30, 1918; and the provision was not retroactive in its effect, and, therefore, gave no right to payment at the $100 rate prior to the date of the Act

Payable Only for Service as Enlisted Men Who Entered Training Camps as Such

The Act provided pay at the $100 rate for "enlisted men" detailed from an organization to the training camps Therefore, men who were enlisted or inducted in the Army for the purpose of attending the training camps are not entitled to the $100 pay rate

Payable Only for Training for Commissions in Combatant Organizations

The Act provided pay at $100 per month for training for commissions in organizations such as Infantry Cavalry Artillery, and Engineer organizations Soldiers who trained in schools providing training for commissions in non combatant or staff organizations such as the Quartermasters Corps Ordnance Corps and Medical Corps are not entitled to the $100 pay rate

Not Payable to Enlisted Men of the Navy or the Marine Corps, Nor to Enlisted Men of the Army Under Special Training.

The Act was an Army Appropriation Act and carried no funds for payment to enlisted men of the Navy or Marine Corps The provision for $100 per month applied only to enlisted men training for commissions, and, therefore, enlisted men of the Army who attended Special Training Schools in which the training did not purpose commissions in the Army, are not entitled to the $100 pay rate.

General Accounting Office,
Claims Division.

Companies Active In Big Lake Area

BIG LAKE, Texas, Feb 9—The Transcontinental Oil company it is reported will spend close to two million dollars in developing their holdings in this field during the present year This company which controls the Big Lake Oil company which recently purchased the Texon Oil and Land Company's holdings together with its three producing wells, is now the most active of the big companies now operating on the Sheffield Arch

It is understood the second and third wells of this company will be shot within the next few days in the hope of increasing the production The Santa Rita No 1, on discovery well is still making 150 barrels after being in eight months Oil from this well tests 36.8 gravity and runs a high percentage in both gasoline and lubricating properities.

The Big Lake company's No. 4 is now reported drilling at 900 feet, the No 5 drilling at 500 feet, the No. 6 rigging up, derrick being built for the No 7 and locations made for Nos. 8, 9 and 10

Fast time is also being made on the Shaoon No 1 well of the Crockett Drilling Syndicate, which has set 8 inch casing at 2130 feet. According to the log of this test the formations are running approximately 200 feet higher than the Santa Rita No 1, which gives it an excellent chance of making a producer The Massey No 1 test of this company is drilling at 1000 feet and the location has been made for the J D Young No 1 on the Shannon

It is understood the Texas Company will also drill seven tests in this territory, they having recently obtained a large block of acreage. Others who have holdings in the Big Lake field are the Humble, Gulf, Magnolia, Pure, T. & P, Mid-Kansas, Standard of California, Sinclair and Claret

Many small operators and independents are also entering the field daily due to the many large drilling blocks available.

ELKS TO HOLD TWO MORE DANCES SOON

The Elks will enjoy two more dances this month. Thursday night, February 14th will be the date for the "Valentine Dance," and Friday night, February 22nd will hold their George Washington dance. The affairs are only upon invitation

Miss Bess Parker with her eighth grade sewing class enjoyed a practical lesson in Hickman's dry goods store last Monday. The purpose of the visit was to compare prices and qualities of materials for underclothing. No suggestion for buying the material at any specific store was given, it being the purpose of the teacher of the class to visit more than one firm in demonstrating to the pupils matter of choosing dress goods

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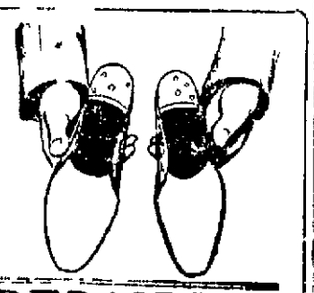

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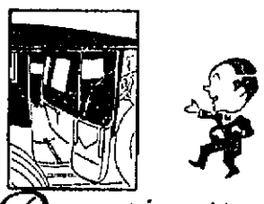

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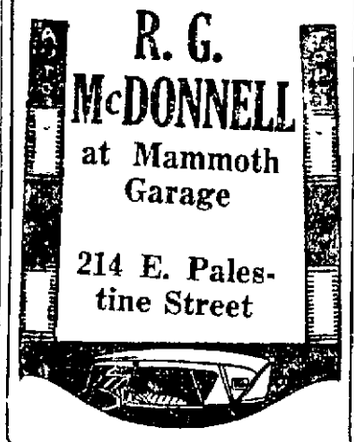

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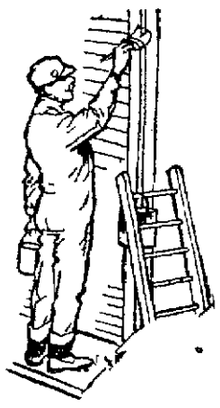

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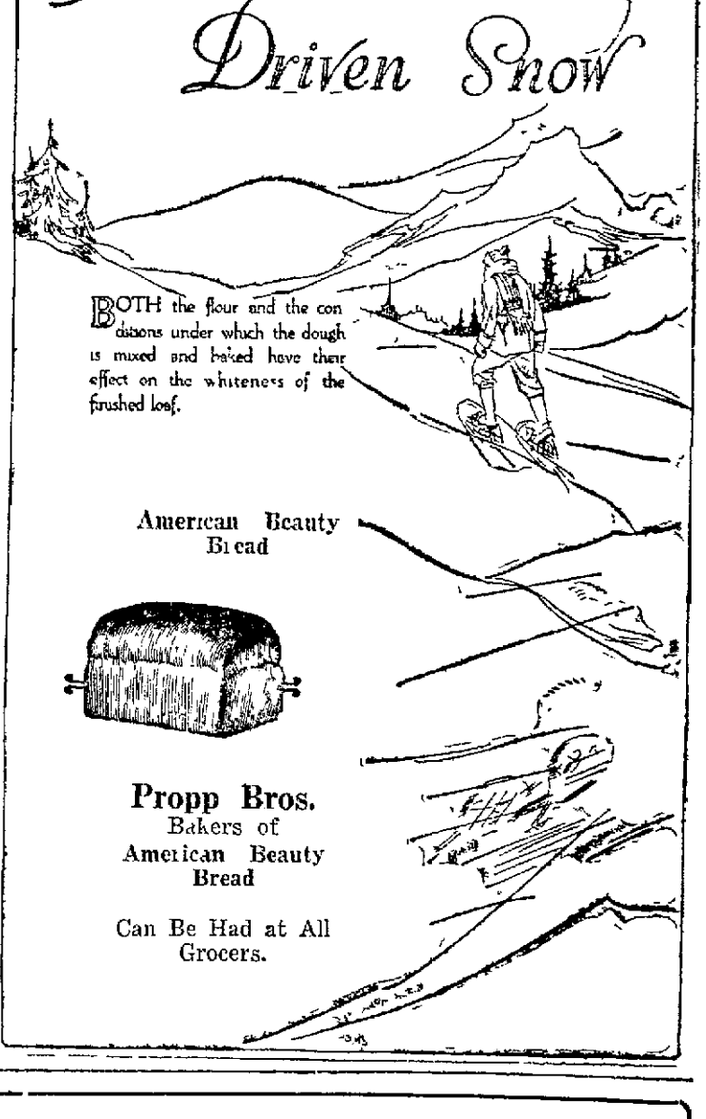

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HERRIN BREAKS OUT IN ANOTHER 'LITTLE WAR'

REPRESENTATIVE FARMERS HEAR FERTILIZERS DISCUSSED

About 50 farmers and other interested persons gathered in the room at the Hurdleston Hotel formerly used by the drug store Saturday at 3:30 to hear Dr. G. S. Frapps, nationally known chemist from A&M College deliver an address on fertilizers. While the crowd waited for the arrival of Dr. Frapp, on the afternoon train from College Station, Ben Stollenwerck, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, explained to the farmers the purpose of the $1000 in prizes to be offered by the Chamber of Commerce here for the best cotton crop produced on 5 acres. He stated that the money was already subscribed and that as soon as the committee could meet a set of regulations for the management of the contest would be arranged and published. Simplicity would be the key note of the contest he stated in order that all participants might easily and conveniently compete. He also stated that the Chamber of Commerce would give a year's subscription free to the Mexia Weekly Herald to all farmers receiving their mail out of Mexia.

In his lecture, Dr. Frapp left aside all technicality and came down to simple terms in explaining the kinds and use of fertilizers. He said that there has been a large increase in the use of fertilizers in Texas this past year and a liklihood of a larger increase during the next year. Yet Texas is not using anywhere near the amounts being used by other states. He began with showing how plants are made up of elements and that these elements can be applied in the shape of fertilizers, provided the farmer understood just what elements are needed. These elements, he said, compose what is known as plant food. In their study of plants, he said, chemists found that there were three kinds of plant food most generally needed. They are: Phosphoric Acid, Nitrogen, and Potash. Any one of these may be used as a fertilizer, though they are commonly put in bulk, ready mixed by manufacturers.

In connection with this Dr. Frapp said that if the farmers intend to keep up the soil they must fertilize. The kind and amount of fertilizer to be used depends on several things. Namely, the soil, crop to be planted, and climate. In addition to this the farmer must consider the treatment the land has been receiving prior to the fertilization, the depth of the soil, the character of the subsoil, ets. The fertilizer to be used cannot be decided, moreover, simply by chemical analysis of the soil, since the elements needed may already be in the soil yet be there in such chemical combinations that they are not soluable and therefore in a form unattainable by the plant. "Practical experience is mighty hard to beat," said Dr. Frapp. By testing out the fertilizer the correct amount and type can be found. Especially is this true of the black land. "Black, waxy land is very uncertain in its response to the fertilizer, and to test it out is the only resource of the farmer wishing to use fertilizer on that type of soil."

In speaking of the three types of plant food most commonly used, Dr. Frapp gave the sources of of the types as follows:

Phosphoric Acid, he said is found in bones, and in phosphoric rock deposited in large quantities over different parts of the country. This rock is treated in factories with a solution of sulphuric acid which releases the acid for use as fertilizer. The percentage of available acid in the fertilizer placed on the market runs between 16 and 20 per cent of the bulk.

Nitrogen is the most expensive of fertilizers and the most easily lost from the soil. It is also the most easily gotten back into the soil. In connection with this element, Dr. Frapp urged as an economical move on the part of the farmer the rotation of crops as the best method of obtaining nitrogen from the air and keeping it in the soil. He stated that there was about 14 pounds of nitrogent over every square inch of land but it could only be coaxed into the land by the use of legume crops which by means of certain baceria in tiny nodules on their roots fix the nitrogen and make it available to the plant. He especially stressed the rotation of crops as the only means by which land can be built up and vegetable matter placed in the soil, enabling it to retain moisture and wihtstand drought.

One source of nitrogen he gave as cotton seed meal, which he said should be fed to cattle and the manure placed on the land, as that was vastly more economical, since it would serve as feed and at the same time place the valuable element, nitrogen, in the soil. 6.88 per cent of the cotton seed meal is nitrogen, he said. Other sources are nitrate of soda, obtained from Chile where it is deposited in large beds, and which contains about 15 per cent nitrogen; sulphate of ammonia, a by product of the manufacture of coke; and dried blood, tankage, and packing house products.

Potash, the third element, he said was the most unattainable of them all to plants though large quantities exist in some soils.

In discussing the values of the different fertilizers to plants, he showed that phosphoric acid helps the fruiting of plants. That is, on soil where plants are wont to run to leaf and stalk this fertilizer should be applied. Nitrogen helps in developing stalk and leaf where plants are generally scrubby and weak this is the class of fertilizer to be appled. On the other hand potash aids in the general all round growth of the plant, giving vigor both to leafage and fruitage. Too free an application of any of these fertilizers however, he stated, was to be avoided.

The speaker then gave some advice as to the application of the plant food and also named 11 formulas which had been decided as the best for use on farms in the state by competent chemists and experimenters.

Dr. Frapp spoke for about one hour, during which he gave some very practical advice about the buying and application of commercial fertilizer and also the value of proper cultivation of the plant after the application. He stressed the fact that only intensive farming could make the use of fertilizers really profitable.

He was followed by A. K. Short, of the Extension Department of the A. and M. College, who stressed the principal things which Dr. Frapp had mentioned and especially drew the farmers' attention to the need of leadership in the county if anything of advance was to be realized from more intensive cultivation of their land. Rotation of crops and live stock farming as the means of building up spent soil were especially stressed. "If a farmer intends to make a profit out of his farming he must make the farming pay for itself as it goes." he said, in voicing his opposition to the habit common to the farmers of borrowing money every year at high rates of interest and expecting every year to come out with a clean slate. To do that it is a certain fact, he said, that more crops must be raised on the same land than before. He recommended the terracing of land to keep the soil from washing into the creeks.

More than anything else, he said, the farmers need leadership and combined action and to do that they must take up the idea of hiring a county agent and putting the thing over. He stated that the county agent was paid for out of the taxes and that an agent would cost them no more or no less than none at all is.

AUTO ACCIDENT FATAL TO SON OF VERNON BANKER

VERNON, Texas, Feb. 9.—Frank Massie, Jr., 17, son of a local banker, died of injuries received when an automobile he was driving overturned at midnight near here. Five others, high school boys and girls, in the car, suffered slight injuries.

HENDRICKS HOME FROM BUYING EXPEDITION

Frazer Hendricks, manager of the W. A. Jackson Store of Mexia has just returned from the principal merchandise markets of the country. His trip carried him to New York and St. Louis where he spent the past two weeks carefully selecting Spring stock of the very latest designs which is soon to begin to arrive for display at Jackson's and for sale to the people.

While in New York, he attended Rotary, thus keeping up his attendance record and helping Mexia in the attendance contest now going on between Mexia and Corsicana.

Joe Kaash of Corsicana was here Saturday.

Nine National Guard Units Ordered To County

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 9.—Further outbreaks Saturday in Herrin caused four additional companies of National Guard to be called out. Five were already mobilized because of a gun fight between Klansmen and Anti-Klansmen resulting in the slaying of two men. Further bloody outbreaks are feared. The shooting occurred at a meeting held to protect against "raids" on alleged blind tigers by Klansmen. The metting was outlining a campaign of retaliation against Klan leaders when three policemen, appointed by the Klan entered, and the shooting started.

Troops were patrolling the Herrin hospital were fired upon by a body of one hundred alleged Klansmen. Several men whom alleged Klansmen said they had warrants for killing a Klan leader, took refuge in the hospital and fired a volley at the approaching band. Martial law is imminent. Sheriff Galligan, who requested the troops, was arrested on a murder charge.

HERRIN, Ill., Feb. 9.—Five companies of Illinois National Guard, numbering 200 men were converging on Herrin today to halt the threat of another bloody massacre in Williamson county as the result of a war between members of the Ku Klux Klan and anti-Klansmen.

Trouble sprang up in two mob fights here just before midnight, resulting in the slaying of a Herrin policeman and Klan leader and a deputy sheriff of the anti-Klan faction.

Caesar Cagle, Klansman and policeman, was shot to death on the street here shortly after Deputy Sheriff John Layman, bitter enemy of the Klan, was shot and fatally wounded at a meeting held to protect against "raids" on alleged blind tigers by the Ku Klux Klan. The meeting was outlining a campaign of retaliation against Glenn Young, leader of the Klan raiders.

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TROOP TWO BOY SCOUTS GO ON THEIR FIRST HIKE

Troop Master Willets, took his troop, No. 2, Boy Scouts on their first hike Saturday. They hiked two and a half miles east of town, cooked their own dinner over an open fire without cooking utensils. Twelve of the boys passed the tenderfoot test, and eight passed the fire lighting test. They also practiced the flag drill and played games, and otherwise enjoyed themselves.

JIM PRICKETT HOME FORM MEETING IN SAN ANTONIO

Jim Prickett, president of the Mexia Battery and Tire Company the past week attended a meeting of the South Texas Retail Merchants and Jobbers Association, which was held in San Antonio. He heard an address by Fred T. Mann, a business expert who has won attention throughout the United States because of the huge volume of business which he has built up in a town of 3,500 people.

TOM PRICKETT HOME FROM DALLAS EXIDE CONFERENCE

Tom Prickett attended the Exide Storage Pattery meeting held Thursday in Dallas. He is very much enthused upon his return, declaring the session to have been one of the most helpful that he has ever attended.

DALLAS, Feb. 9.—Allen Florence and John Williams, both 16, were brought to a hospital here last night as a result of injuries received when their motorcycles collided near Rowlett late Friday. Both were seriously injured. Florence's skull was fractured and Williams' received a fractured thigh.

BELTON, Texas, Feb. 9.—The fate of Hawley Vierek, charged with murder in connection with the murdere of Thompson Bell in the Sealy street battle September 5, 1922, was in the hands of a jury today. The case went to the jury late Friday night.

DEPUTY MARSHAL AT WICHITA IS FINED FOR CONTEMPT

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 9.—John Saye, deputy United States Marshal at Wichita Falls, was fined $25 and costs for contempt of court in connection with shortage of alcohol stored at Witchita Falls in his custody, and A. H. Eldridge, retiring United States Marshal, was found not guilty by Federal Judge Atwell in the hearing. Robert Goodfellow, special officer at Witchita Falls, testified that he took a drink in Saye's office Christmas day.

Two Officers Are Shot to Death By Workers at Still

HARRIMAN, Tenn., Feb. 9.—Two officers, Constable James W. Jett and Deputy John Swann were shot to death Friday as they neared a still on the farm of Dillard Newport, near Emory Gap, three miles from this city.

The bodies were concealed in hastily prepared shallow graves and later found by Sheriff Johnson and a posse searching for Walter Newport, alleged to have fired the fatal shots.

First Recital On New Organ Draws Throng

The installation recital at the Methodist Church Friday night gathered an audience which packed the main auditorium, Sunday School rooms and galleries with a crowd of attentive and appreciative auditors. It was one of the largest gatherings ever seen in the church for a musical program.

Ada Emily Sandel of Dallas was the artist who performed to the delight of those assembled on the magnificent new pipeorgan which had just been installed.

Miss Bess Walters presented a reading in her most pleasing manner, while Mrs. Oscar Denning and Miss Lucille Preddy rendered two beautiful duet numbers.

Rev. W. B. Andrews, pastor of the church, presided at the splendid program, every number of which was enjoyed to the limit.

The audience was well pleased with the new instrument, installed at a cost of $7,100, and which is one of the finest in this part of Texas.

Rev. Andrews announced that the choir would give a musical program Sunday night at the regular hour for service, to which the public is invited.

Graves Refuses To Keep Silent About Ballots

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 9.—Hume Graves of Fort Worth, deputy sergeant-at-arms who helped collect the ballots in the Mayfield dispute, declared that despite his reprimand by Senator Spencer, "ballots in at least three Texas counties were destroyed without reason." He declared that he stood by his former statement, although he did not know why the ballots were destroyed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT MAKES RUN ON McKINEEY STREET

In response to a call turned in at 2:05 Saturday afternoon the fire department made a run out to the East Side Tailor Shop at the corner of Titus and McKinney.

The fire was caused by the generator for the pressing machine having overflowed and caught fire. No damage beyond the paper burned off the ceiling was reported.

E. L. Smith, Jr., is getting along nicely now, after quite a siege which has kept him in bed for the past several days.

PARIS, Feb. 9.—French francs were in a near slump today falling to 22:15 to the dollar and 95.20 to the pound sterling.

Limestone Son Opens Campaign For Governor

Lynch Davidson, Native Son of Limestone County, opened his campaign for Governor of Texas, with a two hour address in Groesbeck. The speaking was held in the Methodist church. The auditorium of the edifice was well filled and many seated in the Sunday School rooms to hear the address which he delievred and which set forth in terse businesslike terms his stand on the political issues of the day.

Preliminary metters consumed about one hour, the meeting being called to order by J. E. Farrow at two o'clock. Three speeches were made prior to the introduction of the honored and distinguished Limestone son.

He began his address at three o'clock and the audience was keenly appreciative throughout his exhaustive statement of the principles in which he believed and on which he is to stand while making his campaign for Governor.

The Davidson party, coming from Houston, comprised about twenty citizens and admirers from various sections of the State. Col. R. G. Duff of Houston was one of the party.

Mexia Citizens Go to Austin to Meeting Tuesday

Plans are being made to charter a Pullman to carry the Mexia delegation to the Centennial meeting called by Governor Neff in Austin Tuesday. Quite a number of leading business men here have signed up to attend. Those who can possilby do so are urged to see Ben Stollenwerck or telephone the Chamber of Commerce and make reservations. The train will leave Monday night and return the next night; so that none need be from home but one day. Everyone is invited to go, as the event will give Mexia citizens an opportunity to keep their home town in the forefront with the most progressive cities of 10,000 in all Texas.

Pioneer Company Mentioned Now In Teapot Probe

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Harry F. Sinclair was enabled to get his Teapot Dome lease from Secretary of Interior Fall by means of conspiracy with the Pioneer Oil Company, the Senate investigating committee was told. The conspiracy charged in the complaint prepared by Leo Stack of Denver, charging the Pioneer Company "entered into the conspiracy" with Sinclair to abandon its ust right to Teapot Dome. The dropping by the Pioneer Company of its claims permitted Sinclair to go ahead with leasing negotiations with Fall, the complaint charged. It was read to the committee at the request of Senator Walsh. Stack contended that the Pioneer Company "double crossed" him and asked the court to award him five million dollars damages. Walsh contended that Stack's suit was unjustified and really had no right to the leases.

$250,000,000 Ic Settlement That France Proposes

PARIS, Feb. 9.—The government presented a bill in the Chamber of Deputies providing for ratification of accord whereby the United States will be paid two hundred and fifty million for Rhineland occupation expenses. An annex to the bill includes hitherto unpublished letters from the State Depart ment at Washington. The letter is in reply to the allies' announcement regarding reservations as intention to refuse the United States' right to participate legitimately in the advantages stipulated in the Versailles treaty. It adds that the United States government did not believe the allies could have intended any discrimination against the United States.

Morgan Wiggins of Gonzales was in Mexia Friday.

WERNER REPORTS FREIGHT CLAIM PREVENTION MEETING

S. B. Werner, local freight agent of the T. & B. V. has just returned from Fort Worth where he has been attending the annual meeting of the Southwestern Feright Claim Prevention Congress, which was held at the Texas Hotel, continuously for three days. The object of this association is to concentrate efforts of railroad men looking to the reduction of claim payments for loss and damaged freight handled by the railroads and to promote a beter understanding between shippers and receivers of freight and the railroad and a spirit of co-operation which in the end will result in the proper packing, marking and billing of freight. And after the railroads have received the freight, its employes will move it with reasonable safety and within reasonable time, all of which contribute to the reduction of claims for loss and damage, which it was pointed out are just as annoying to the shipper as to the railroads.

Officers of the American Railway Association were in attendance and railroad executives of high rank spoke on the wonderful progress that has already been made by the claim prevention congress and set a new goal to be reached the coming year.

The congress includes in its membership representatives from railroads embracing the great southwest and to further demonstrate its eagerness for a better co-operation between the public and the railroads an invitation was extended to the public in Fort Worth to attend its sessios, at which discussion was had along the lines of better freight handling.

The congress was unanimous in this one thing. "Pay all legitimate and lawful claims 100%,but fight all fraudulent claims to the highest court in the land.

Union Service To Memorialize Woodrow Wilson

At 7:30 Sunday night, at the Baptist church a Memorial Service will be held in honor of the late and lamented Woodrow Wilson. The Methodist church was the scene of a service for that purpose last Sunday night, hence the churches uniting in the event tonight are the First Christian Church, First Presbyterian Church, Central Presbyterian and the Baptists.

Rev. Joe Jeffers, pastor of the Baptist church, will preside, with all pastors of the respective churches having a part on the program which has been arranged.

The program is as follows:

Processional by the Organist.

Hymn No. 366—"Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Invocation—Rev. White.

Scripture Reading; Psalm 23rd—Rev. E. M. Hudson, of the First Presbyterian Church.

Male Quartette—"Looking This Way"—Messers Samford, Jeffers, Harper and Beene.

"Woodrow Wilson—The Private Citizen"—Rev. Victor K. Aubrey, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church

"Woodrow Wilson—Our Commander in Chief"—Dr. R. B. Jackson.

"Woodrow Wilson—The Statesman"—A. Garland Adair.

Hymn No. 261—"Abide With Me" by chorus choir.

"Woodrow Wilson—The Apostle of Peace"—Rev. Reaves of First Christian church.

Mixed Quartette—"Sweet Peace, the Gift of God's Love"—Messers Jeffers and Harper, Mesdames Reynolds and Harper.

Hymn No. 330—"America"—by Congregation.

Benediction—Rev. Hudson of First Presbyterian church.

THE WEATHER

East Texas.—Sunday unsettled, probably local rains, and warmer in east. Colder in extreme northwest.

West Texas.—Sunday unsettled, probably rain or snow and colder.

BASKET BALL SCORES

At College Station—Texas A. & M. 29; S. M. U. 18.

At Fort Worth—T. C. U. 33; Baylor 19.

At Austin—Texas 38; Rice 10.

Humphreys Stockholders Called To Consider Dissolution Of The Company First Saturday In March

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Humphreys Oil Company, at a meeting in New York, Thursday of this week, adopted a resolution favoring the dissolution of the Humphreys Oil Company. Following the resolution which also favored the surrender of the franchise, a meeting is to be held in Mexia Saturday, March the first, to which all stockholders have been called, for the purpose of considering and taking action upon the proposed dissolution. This meeting was called at the New York meeting of directors. The call for the meeting for the morning of the First Saturday in March has been made by Col. H. Maud, Secretary of the Humphreys Oil Company.

The announcement has aroused considerable interest among local members, since it has raised the question as to whether the move will mean the "paying off" of the rest of the payment involved in the transaction by which the Humphreys Oil Company was sold to the Pure Oil Company.

It is believed that the selling of $15,000,000 bonds by a syndicate in New York Thursday, for the Pure Oil Company was a step toward the final settlement of all affairs connected with the deal.

The $15,000,000 bonds, 5½%, priced from 96.62 to 100.25 to yield from 5 to 7 per cent over maturities running to August 1, 1926, were soon placed, according to the dispatches, the books being closed in a few minutes after the sale opened and being issued as a part of the purchase price of the Humphreys Oil Company.

The sale is considered very flattering, both as regards the value of the properties of the Humphreys Oil Company and the statuts of the Pure Oil Company itself.

Should the dissolution be favored, it will bring to a successful end one of the most spectacular oil companies known in the southwest, say those who have watched the development program by which it has grown with the Mexia Golden Lane as its foundation, with the Rogers discovery well here as its first property, and from such a start to a company with approximately 275 producing oil wells at Mexia, Currie and Powell, and which, when sold to the Pure Oil Company represented the largest deal in the history of oil in the state of Texas. The consideration was reported to have involved $25,000,000.

Following the change, should it take place, headquarters for operations in the fields where interested, will not be changed from here, it is thought.

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YOU CAN DO IT!

A New York magazine of general appeal has on its entrance door, "YOU CAN DO IT!"

The motto may seem foolishness to men who have struggled long to achieve their aim, but every salesman who reads The News can testify that he never made a sale when he was saying to himself, "Well, I'll try it, but it can't be done." The man who makes a difficult sale, builds a bridge along a dangerous cliff or mends a serious looking wound is the man who tells himself, "It can be done."

The man or woman who has faith in himself, faith in his task and faith in mankind is the one who most frequently gets to the top of the ladder. His faith grows with every step. His confidence becomes infectious and his associates help him to rise still higher. From such a combination came the famous truism, "Nothing succeeds like success."

But the part many men fail to realize in all efforts to build self-confidence is the vital place the church and Christianity play in faith.

If you would achieve the impossible, by all means build reservoirs of faith. Regular church attendance and observance of the teachings of the Bible build faith more surely and on better foundation than any other way. Thousands of residents of Mexia can testify to this.

Start now. Every church invites you.

WATER PROBELM SHOULD BE MET NOW

Mexia citizens are busy now pruning the trees about their homes, terracing and otherwise working to make Mexia the City Beautiful when Springtime with its blooms comes again.

This action on their part suggests the need of an immediate careful study of the water question and action now that will prevent a repetition of last year's history. Unless this is done, there is almost sure to be a shortage of water, which will annul all the earlier efforts to improve the appearance of the city.

The wise citizen begins to work now to beautify his premises and it is a wise city who prepares in times of plenty for the hard days sure to come.

The News still contends that a representative body of citizens, representing every civic organization here, should be appointed as a Water Commission to make a careful survey, with Engineer Morgan, go thoroughly into the needs of the municipality in securing an abundance of pure water for Mexia and then take the proper steps, pursue the proper course, bring the water to town, even though a bond issue is required to get it here.

Mexia has an abundance of water, if it could be brought to town in such a quantity as to enable the use of much of it as necessary when the blistering winds of the drouthy period arrives and to be available in case of conflagration, mishap or other occurrence which would call for an immediate supply right here at hand.

A stand pipe built for a town of 3,000 people certainly is inadequate for a city of 10,000. One water main just big enough for a town of 5,000 cannot bear up under the strain of service of transporting water for twice that number.

These are matters which the water commission would no doubt have called to their attention, and certainly, now is the time to act.

The future of Mexia depends more upon its water facilities than upon any other one thing just now.

NOWLIN POST ACTS WISELY

The Nowlin Post of the American Legion, at its regular weekly meeting last Tuesday night, went on record as favoring the Adjusted Compensation bill as presented to the Congress of the United States. It is well that the legion here took such a step. Recommendations, urging the passage of the measure, sent to Washington from all parts of the country will do much to encourage the early passage of the bill. It should be passed. No longer should politicians over the United States be permitted to make a football out of measures originated in behalf of the men who wore the uniforms of their country in the great war. So far, parties have endorsed bonus bills and went to the people with planks favoring same written indisputably in their platforms. Then, after the ballot boxes had been stored, they pigeon-holed the pledge and began all over again to tell the soldiers that they were their friends and would favor the measure, if they could be shown just where the money to pay the bonus was coming from.

Bonus is not the proper word. Adjusted compensation is much better.

The soldiers in the last war did not fight for a bonus any more than soldiers in previous wars fought for a bonus. Their patriotism is undisputed, their service unquestioned and their love for country has never been bounded by the flaps of their pocketbooks.

As has been said, they were promised everything but the kitchen stove, if they would but fight for their country when she was bleeding and when each new day found a new gash added to her wounds.

They saw, they went and they conquered.

Upon their return, they found that the boys who remained at home, while they were away, in a vast majority of instances, had "prepared for the rainy day," were driving finer automobiles than before the war; had businesses themselves in numerous instances and a growing bank account. On the other hand, the boys who went to army camp and fighting field returned in rags, had to go to the old trunk which they left behind and pull out a suit they used before they donned the khaki; their jobs gone; their business disappeared and nothing but a good record in the army or navy or marine service with which to start life all over again.

A score or more of states have already passed adjusted compensation bills and tried to help the soldiery to get that new start. Texas has not yet acted.

It is not only a case of duty, a case of justice, but also a matter of wisdom that the nation take care of the boys, even at this belated date.

Wages in every field of endeavor soared while the war was in progress. The man who worked at $50 per month when war was declared was getting $150 when the Armistice was signed. In the meantime, the soldier continued to receive the $30 per month which he was paid when he first entered. Thus every citizen of this country received a bonus during the war. The soldier has been content to wait until after the war for the "adjusted compensation" due him.

He has been promised it and it should be given him without further delay.

Every candidate in Limestone County is going to be asked whether he favors the bonus bill before the coming primaries. It is an important question and the answers in the locality or county may have an important bearing on the decision by congress pertaining to the bill for adjusted compensation.

CENTRAL TEXAS PRESS
By N. P. Houx

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WITHOUT COMMENT

Bootleggers All Paupers

A news item in the city papers states that when bootleggers are given jail sentences and are fined, they serve the jail sentence and then claim that they have no money to pay the fine and are sent to jail for not paying it. They stay 30 days and then take a "pauper's oath" and go free.

Frequent reports have been to the effect that many who are given heavy fines and no jail sentences have been getting out similarly. One man is reported to have been given the choice of six months in jail or one thousand dollars by the federal judge. He readily accepted the $1000 fine, then contended that he could not pay the fine and was sent to jail. At the end of thirty days he took a pauper's oath and went free.

Bootleggers parade their great profits in the newspapers freely and the story of fabulous wealth made by bootlegging are current upon the streets. Candidly we feel sure that the wealth of the bootlegger is very much exaggerated. They cannot operate except by paying protection money to officers. Even then they are worried and have to pay exorbitant fees to lawyers, and every turn they are "touched" by the grafters, many of them are put on the "bum" by loyal officers hounding their every step. In spite of all this we believe that attention should be given to these "pauper oaths" that are being given by bootleggers to get out of paying their fines. There should be a law somewhere among the archieves of the government to the effect that it is an offense to swear falsely. Among the ancients they prosecuted them for perjury. Could not these ancient laws be revived for the benefit of the bootleggers of today.—Home and State.

Mr. Bryan says taxes can be reduced and the bonus paid out of an excess profit levy, which, in his judgment, is the fairest tax ever conceived. Mr. Bryan certainly ought to know that any tax upon industry is passed along to the consumer after being multiplied several times. He ought also to know that when the government places an excessive tax on industry expansion stops and development ceases.—Denison Herald.

The Mexia News clips an editorial entitled "School Regents Against Agnosticism," in which it is stated that belief in the Supreme Being is made a prerequisite to employment in the University of Texas. They are dead right. An atheist is a fool. A man who can't look at almost any work of nature—the animal body, for instance, with all of its parts, so wonderfully harmonized, with its special senses each so wonderfully adapted to gather knowledge from the environment, and with a will to do, and instinct or reason to guide its acts—and see that a master builder has been there hasn't sense ecough to take care of himself, much less to teach other people. Suppose some atheist, a zeppelin passenger from Europe, visiting America for the first time, should fly over New York so high that he could not see any of the people. Would he conclude that that immense aggregation of towers and buildings, noise and smoke and blaze of light, had been put together by blind, unintelligent forces all working together without a guide? It is folish to even ask the question. Yet, some men looking daily at workmanship infinitely more complicated and wonderful than that, claim they can see in nature no evidence of the existence of God. If they are really that dense they haven't sense enough to instruct circus animals, much less to teach in the University of Texas.—Terrell Transcript.

Taking Off Shoes—

An indignant passenger on a Texas railroad has written the Railway Commission demanding that a rule be enacted prohibiting passengers removing their shoes while on railway coaches. No such a rule should be made. Individuals rights have been whittled down until there is hardly a thing, and as a final stand we declare the work of destroying rights shall go no further. Some of the good old Democrats simply can't stand shoes when their feet get hot, and they should be guaranteed the right to relieve their swelling feet by removing their shoes even though their socks are punctured with holes at toe and heel. People who don't like the attar of feet should provide themselves with gas masks when they travel.—Honey Grove Signal.

This brilliant discussion of insidious encroachment of personal privileges reminds us of one hot summer day several years ago, while riding on a mixed train in the lumber region of Arkansas. A tall, gangly man stretched himself out, hiked one foot over the back of the seat in front of him and went to sleep. After about an hour he woke up and began complaining seriously about his foot being asleep. A countryman who occupied the seat across the aisle spoke up: "Say, Mister, you're plum mistaken. That foot of yourn is daid."—Mineral Wells Index.

The bite of a peculiar bug that is found on the Philippine islands produces temporary paralysis.

CITIZENSHIP
Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

"To be strong and true; to be gererous in praise and appreciation of others; to impute worthy motives even to enemies; to give without expectation of return; to practice humility, tolerance, and self restraint; to make the best use of time and opportunity; to keep the mind pure and the judgment charitable; to extend intelligent sympathy to those in distress; to cultivate quietness and non-resistance; to seek truth and righteousness; to work, love, pray and serve daily, to aspire greatly, labor cheerfully and take God at His Word—"this, is to be a good American citizen.

NOWLIN NOTES

WHAT ADJUSTED COMPENSATION IS

(All I ask of any fair minded person is that he read the provisions of this bill.—National Commander, John R. Quinn.)

Lee P. Pierson, in an address before the Nowlin Post of the American Legion, in which he explained the provisions of Adjusted Compensation, last Tuesday evening called attention to the following:

"Under the terms of the Adjusted Compensation Bill now before Congress every American World War veteran up to and including the grade of captain in the Army and the Marine Corps and lieutenant in the Navy is entitled to an adjusted service credit of $1.25 a day for service overseas or afloat and of $1 a day for home service. From this credit, which every veteran can readily compute for himself if he remembers the important dates of his service career, must be deducted $60, representing the discharge bonus given every man on leaving the service. Service must be computed between the dates April 5, 1917, and July 1, 1919. The maximum adjusted service credit to which a veteran is entitled is $500 for home service and $625 for foreign service.

The bill contains the following provisions:

1. Adjusted Service Pay. This, the only cash feature provided for in the Adjusted Compensation Bill, is payable only to men whose adjusted service credit, after deducting the $60 discharge bonus, comes to $50 or less. Roughly, it affects only men who served less than four months. (This provision must be accepted by veterans who are not entitled to more than $50.)

2. Adjusted Service Certificates. These certificates are paid-up endowment insurance policies, payable at the end of twenty years to the veterans if he is still alive, or, if he dies in the interval, to his estate. The certificate would have a redemption value at the end of the twenty-year period of the adjusted service credit plus twenty-five percent, the whole plus 4 1-2 percent interest compounded annually. This would come to 3.015 the value of the adjusted service credit. Adjusted service certificates would have a loan value on the following basis: For the first three years the certificate holder would be allowed to borrow from a bank fifty percent of the value of his adjusted service credit plus the interest thereon at 4 1-2 percent compounded annually. From three to six years following issuance of the certificate he could borrow 85 percent of his credit plus interest, after six years 87 1-2 percent plus interest. In case of failure to make payments on these loans when due the veteran would not lose his certificate. The Secretary of the Treasury would be required to take them up and veterans would have the option of redeeming them by paying loan and interest, this provision to remain in effect during the twenty-year life of the certificate.

3. Vocational Training Aid. This provision allows the veteran to apply his adjusted service credit, computed in this option at $1.75 a day, to complete an education interrupted by the war.

4. Farm or Home Aid. Veterans who wish to make improvements on city or suburban homes, or purchase or make payments on city homes or farms or pay off land indebtedness may receive for this specific purpose adjusted credits based on length of service increased by twenty-five percent."

An electric voting machine is used in the State legislature of Iowa. It has proved to be a time-saving device, enabling more legislation to be passed in a given time than formerly under the old system of voting.

A Colorado young man had to marry before Armistice Day, 1923, or lose a fortune of $62,000.

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In the Proclamation Calling the Texas Centennial Conference Convention for Feb. 12, Gov. Pat Neff Says:

"The completion of this century of treading the highway of a State's destiny has turned the minds of Texans everywhere to Texas. There has been awakened a universal desire to commemorate the heroic deeds of those who laid the corner stone of the Texas Empire. It is altogether fitting that the significance of this great opportunity should be impressed upon the people, and that a representative assembly should be convened to take some positive action looking to the preparation of a great centennial feast of art, history and industry, not only to show Texas to Texans, but invite the world to be our guests that the people everywhere may know that Texas is as great in achievement as in area."

Every Texan Will Want to be Identified With This Big Event Which Will Go Down in Texas History

The Texas Centennial Conference Convention as called by Gov. Pat Neff for February 12th, at the State Capitol at Austin, is the time when plans will be initiated for a huge celebration to commemorate the deeds of valor of the formative period, which interests every Texan.

The form of the Centennial Celebration, place of its holding and time for same, will belong to this convention, which will be entirely democratic and representative of every interest of Texas.

Texas can do anything it undertakes and the time has come when all patriotic Texans can express themselves in behalf of the much talked of celebration.

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J. K. Hughes Is First Native Texan To Give To Fund To Make Possible Centennial Exposition For the State

Hampton Steele, of Mexia, President of the Native Sons of Texas, stated recently that he would be in Austin Tuesday to attend the meeting of the citizens of the State called by Governor Neff to decide upon plans for the Texas Centennial which is contemplated to hold in some city of Texas in the near future. Mr. Steele stated that he was very much interested in the service that the Centennial proposed to render and that he hoped to be present at the meeting next week. Stating that he hoped "that Texas will put it over," he gave as his opinion that there would surely be a log cabin in the exhibits and he hoped in the event of there being one that it might be used as headquarters for the Native Sons of Texas. In speaking of his wish, he stated that the house in which he was born in Montgomery County did not have a nail in it. Mr. Steele is the eldest son of the last survivor of the battle of San Jacinto and is 84 years of age. Inspite of his age he is still hale and hearty and is planning to visit many localities of the state during the Spring and Summer in the interest of the organization of which he is the head. He stated that "the organization is growing right along."

On the roster of the Native Sons are members from every walk of life. Among them are: Governor Pat Neff; Lieutenant Governor T. W. Davidson; Senator Joe Burkett, of Eastland; Lee P. Pierson, of Mexia; General Jacob F. Wolters, of Houston; Lynch Davidson, Houston; C. D. Gillespie, Houston Chronicle; R. L. Henry, Houston; H. F. Kirby, County Judge of Limestone; Whit Popejoy, Sheriff of Limestone County; Blake Smith and J. K. Hughes, oil men of Mexia; Scott Reed, County Attorney for Limestone county; General Felix D. Robertson, Waco; and others from every county in the State.

While addressing a meeting of the Mexia Rotary Club this week on the Centennial celebration, Lewry Martin of the Corsicana Sun stated that J. K. Hughes, a Mexia citizen and a member of the Native Sons of Texas, gave the first contribution toward the furtherance of the Centennial. He was also the first to pledge further aid toward the movement.

The headquarters of the Native Sons is at Mexia, the last survivor of the battle of San Jacinto, Alphonzo Steele, having resided and died in Limestone county.

Better Homes Campaign Proves Educational to United States

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9.—Special attention will be directed this year in the better home for America campaign to the small house and how the family of small income can get the most out of the funds they can devote to the building and making of the home.

One of the great needs of the country is to interest architects in designing comfortable, livable houses which can be built or purchased for no more than $5,000. It is the expressed belief of experts connected with the Better Homes in America educational movement that many houses now costing considerably more than this figure could be duplicated for $5,000 if the greatest care was taken in planning and ordering materials and in other ways.

It has been estimated that in building the average house, enough waste material is left over to furnish firewood for the house for two years. And this two years' firewood supply was not purchased at firewood prices, but at prices for finished lumber.

The home winning first prize in the nation-wide Better Homes contest last year was planned, financed, and furnished by students of the civics department of the high school at Port Huron, Michigan, at a total cost of $5,500. It is this type of home which will be stressed heavily in the campaign this year.

The campaign this year has been put in charge of Dr. James Ford, Harvard professor and expert in housing and community organization, who has been given leave of absence by the university expressly to allow him to carry on this educational work. Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, is president of Better Homes in America.

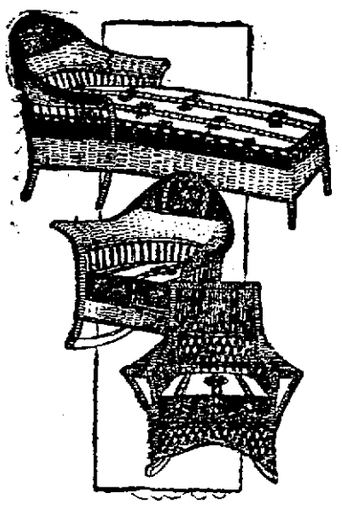
FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor will preach at 11 a. m.

The choir will give a musical recital at 7:30 p. m.

You will be excused from the Sunday School and the prayer meeting, provided you can give yourself a satisfactory reason for not studying the Word of God. "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path," says the Book. What do you say?

The first monument raised to dogs of war was unveiled at the canine cemetery, just north of New York.



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As usual, special attention has been paid to the novelty lines as: Lamps—Mirrors—Console Tables—Telephone Stands, etc., consisting of anything required to furnish the home complete.

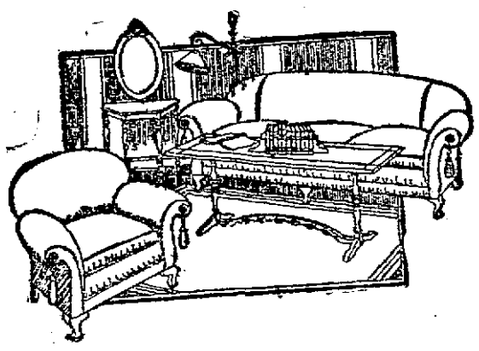
Special attention has also been paid to equipments for the PORCH and LAWN this season. Within the next few days we will have on display for your inspection a complete line of OLD HICKORY—MAPLE, and other kinds of PORCH and LAWN furniture, also a complete line of COUCH HAMMOCKS and SWINGS.

We are making an earnest effort to be prepared to take care of your wants in our lines as well as anyone in the state, at prices especially attractive coupled with the best service to be had.

We are prepared to handle your account for you so that you can enjoy the pleasure of a well furnished home while you are paying for it.

We still want your business and are willing to put ourselves to the necessary trouble to get it.

Remember we are never satisfied until our customer is.



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—Men who have been looking for the New Spring Stetsons may come to our store Monday and see on display the latest styles.

—Snappy, good looking felts, silk lined, light light weight, principally in light colors. They're priced the Stetson way at $7½.

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—A pretty assortment in just the colors and designs that good dressers are demanding these days.

Vassar Underwear $1 to $4

—That good fitting, good wearing Spring Underwear. All sizes for men.

Manhattan Shirts $3.50 and $4

—These White Poplin and Madras Shirts with collar attached made by Manhattan are sure to suit you men. Come in and take a peek at them.

Phoenix Sox 75c to $2

—In all good colors for Spring wear. Pure thread silk, reinforced heel and toe.

SPRING MATERIALS for Sewing

New Linens

—A beautiful lot of new linens for Spring. 36 inches wide in colors of Brown, Ivory, Pink, Blue and Lavender. Priced per yard---$1

Sateen

—New Buty-Chyne and Ever fast Sateen in colors of Golf, Black, Navy, Purple, Grey, Copen, White Orchid, Ceil Blue, Pink and Nut. Very moderately priced -- -- ---- at per yard --------

Satin

—Many new colors in this great lot of satin. All 36-inches wide and priced per yard--------$1.65

Percale Special

—For Monday we offer one lot of 27-inch Percale at the yard---------- 10c

New Ginghams

Direct from the looms of the New England States.

One lot priced---------15¢
One lot priced---------20¢
One lot priced---------25¢
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One lot priced---------45¢

French Ginghams

—Just unpacked and placed on display several very pretty lots of imported ginghams in checks, stripes and small plaids. Priced per yard 50¢, 65¢, 75¢ and-----$1.00

New Voiles

—In the newest and smartest plaid and check designs of the season. Priced from 50¢ to $1.25 per yard.

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A PRACTICAL PROGRAM FOR 1924

Mexia's needs are numerous. Some of them are major while others are minor. Some of them create imperative demands upon the public, if Mexia is to become a bigger and better city. While achieving big things, the little ones should not be neglected.

The News offers the following list of needs that should be given attention in 1924 and carried to a successful conclusion:

1. **The water situation completely solved.** Mexia's water situation is not fully understood by many citizens. The conditions are by no means bad. In fact they are very promising. With an adequate supply of water available and of a pure quality, the proposition is largely one of bringing it to town and having at all times a reserve close at hand to take care of the city for a reasonable period in case of accident, breaking of the main leading to the corporate limits, or in case of a big fire. The News suggests a committee of citizens to go over the situation immediately, appointed by the city officials to make recommendations that will at all times assure Mexia an abundnace of pure water and prevent a recurrence of a water scarcity experienced last summer, to lead ultimately also to a reduction in the price to the consumer.

2. **More light for Mexia streets,** with particular attention to dark spots in the residential areas, alleys, in front of all local churches and schools, and a White Way for the business district. These are mentioned in the order of their importance.

3. **A Memorial Building, including a City Auditorium,** which may be used as a community center, and also so arranged as to enable Mexia to become a convention center in this part of Texas.

4. **The Hughes City Park beautified and equipped** so that it may prove a real playground for the children and a place of recreation and rest for all, with attention also given to a tourist camp for parties traveling through in autos on cross country trips.

5. **A ceaseless campaign for public health,** with constant attention by citizens to their premises in cooperation with the city sanitary department; no open sewers and cess pools of filth and disease; and all possible breeding spots for mosquitoes oiled frequently, and the paved streets kept clean all the time.

6. **Realizing agriculture is the permanent basis for general prosperity in this section, The News urges a more zealous endeavor to cooperate with the farmers of this territory in land conservation; the development of fertilizing plants and the offering of premiums on best farm crops for 1924,—along the lines recently suggested by J. W. Stubenrauch.**

7. **A larger tin bucket brigade for Mexia**—the new cotton mills to be the initial step forward in making this an industrial center of great moment.

8. **Always back up campaigns of local churches and schools** in their ambitious plans to meet the spiritual and educational and social needs of the community.

9. **The paving program completed,** including the paving of the alleys and the improvement of all unpaved streets.

10. **Constant encouragement should be given to home seekers and home builders.**

11. **A new city charter** to suit conditions, properly presented and fully discussed and understood by the citizens prior to the day they are called to the polls to vote on it.

12. **Lower frie insurance key rate,** and lower rates for all public utilities as rapidly as consistent with public weal.

NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

TEAGUE

William T. Ede, of Dallas, of the Masonic Service Committee Speakers' Bureau, will deliver an address in the Idylwild Theatre in Teague next Tuesday night. A two reel motion picture show illustrating his lecture, "Equality of Opportunity" will be shown.

The El Day Male Quartet will appear in recital in Teague Friday evening, February 8th under the auspices of the Helen A. Saunders High School athletics. All proceeds from the entertainment go to the athletics for the school.

Miss Geraldine McCullough presented her expression class in recital to a large audience of mothers which filled the auditorium of the Helen A. Saunders High School building last Saturday. The program was splendidly and artistically presented and was well received by the audience.

Leo Stringer, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stringer of Teague has been elected captain of the 1924 track team for the Teague High School. Stringer is 19 years of age and a senior and one of the best athletes of the school. Though the team has been weakened by the loss of several good men thru graduation it is hoped and expected that it will before long be built back to its former level of efficiency and speed.

The children of Mrs. Enoch Davis gave her a real surprise dinner Sunday February 3rd, the occasion being a birthday celebration. Grandmother Davis is 75 years of age.

Central Presbyterian Church

North McKinney and East Carthage streets.

Rev. Victor K. Aubrey, pastor.

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m., Bible classes for all ages.

Morning Service, 11:00 a. m. Sermon: "The Significance of the Christian Handshake."

Music: Duet and chorus by choir, "Praise Me Jesus"—Huntley. Duet sung by Mrs. W. W. Wallace and Mrs. L. H. Haston.

Junior Endeavor, 3:00 p. m.

Senior Endeavor, 6:00 p. m.

Evening service.

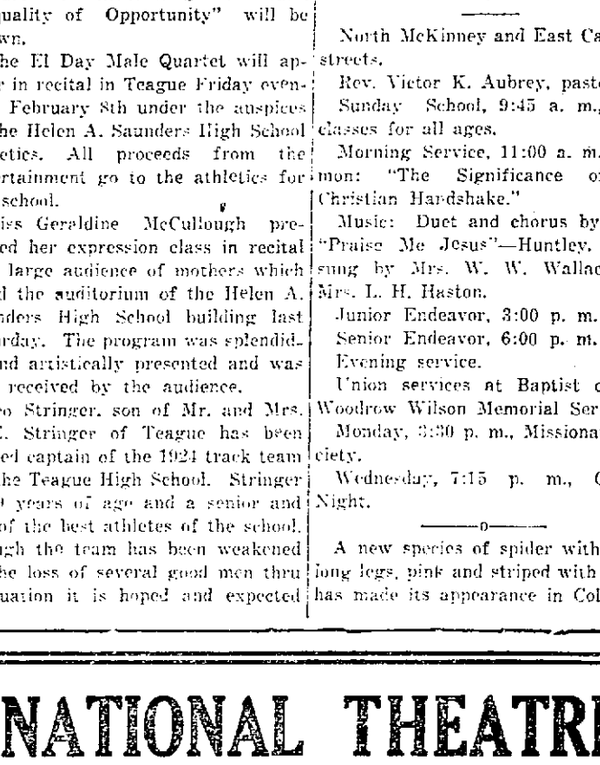
Union services at Baptist church, Woodrow Wilson Memorial Service.

Monday, 3:30 p. m., Missionary Society.

Wednesday, 7:15 p. m., Church Night.

A new species of spider with eight long legs, pink and striped with black, has made its appearance in Colorado.

NATIONAL THEATRE
Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday



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"PIED PIPER MALONE"
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WOMEN KU KLUX MAKE THEIR BOW FRIDAY NIGHT

The Women's Auxiliary of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan made its bow Friday night in the first social meeting of this fast growing Order. The meeting was held in the Klan hall and more than one hundred men and women were present to enjoy the occasion, which was featured by a banquet and a general good time was had by all.

The table extended the length of the hall and was formed to represent a large cross, and being decorated with red bunting and United States flags, was a beautiful sight. At the head of the table there was also an electric cross of red globes and this also added to the beauty of the decoration.

The banquet consisted of baked turkey with all the necessary and delightful trimmings, and it proved that not only armies but private bodies also move on the stomach, as one speaker said.

Several good talks were made during the after-hour that was spent in a social way.

A number of out of town guests, both men and women, were present and they all spoke in the highest terms of the Mexia organization and hoped for an early repitition of the delightful affair.—A Guest.

S. M. U. Co-Eds To Sing All Over The State This Spring

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 9.—Twenty-three girl students of Southern Methodist University have been selected by Prof. J. Abner Sage to compose the Girls' Choral Club, which will make a tour of the state in the spring. They are:

First sopranos: Mildred Fleming, Mount Pleasant; Josephine Selecman, Dallas; Judy Clark, Mineral Wells; Madeline Abrahms, Dallas; and Sybil Stewart, Pittsburg. Second sopranos: Eudoxia Butler, Rusk; Elizabeth Richmond, Tillar, Ark.; Mattie B. Childers, Lufkin; Martha Robertson, Brenham; Kathleen Brown, Groesbeck; Majory McNeimur, Dallas; Mafalda Isaacs, Dallas, and Ima Leete, Dallas.

First Altos: Jean Mitchell, Gainesville; Constance Ruth Murray, Dallas; Helen Fontaine, Durant, Okla.; Beth Sewell, Brownsville; and Zelma Bassett, Kosse. Second altos: Geneva Merrill, Dallas; Blanche Shear, Temple; Mildred Martin, Wichita Falls; Edith Turner, Quinton, Okla. and Fannie Powell, Dallas.

Joseph R. Harker, president of the Illinois Women's college, never went to college until after he was a member of the college faculty.

Wild deer on Long Island ate enough of a five-ton truck load of cauliflower, sunk to the hubs in the soft marshland, to spoil the sale of it.

Methodist Pastors At Blooming Grove For District Meet

The pastors of Methodist churches in the Corsicana district met in quarterly institute at Blooming Grove last Tuesday. At the morning service, Rev. W. B. Andrews, pastor of the First Methodist church of Mexia, delivered the sermon which he preached here on Good Literature Sunday and which was given in full in last Sunday's Mexia Daily News. The sermon is reported to have created quite a stir and no doubt sent many of the ministers back home determined to urge the importance of good literature and clean pictures.

CITY STREET FORCES WORKING ON CANTON

The city street force was busy Saturday grading North Canton st. between Sumpter and Grayson. This street was torn up some time ago when a sewer line was put in and since the recent rains has been almost impassable, and people living in that section have been "going around" by other routes. It is hoped that the work being done will put the street in passable shape.

There are almost 2,000,000 acres of forest land in Montana and Idaho without either Federal or State supervision.

H. W. Longmoor was here Friday from Denison.

Jim Martin, Buell Jeffrics, Charles Mills, Morris Lowe, and Cotes Mouser, students at Westminster, were in the city Saturday afternoon.

Drew Sawyer, of Shiloh, was in Mexia Saturday and stated that there is a large number of measles in his community.

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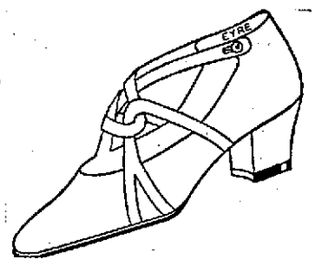

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Mr. Frazer Hendrix, our buyer, has just returned from the Fashion Centers of the East where he has been making purchases for our store the past several weeks. Purchases which he made are arriving daily and exclamations of delight are constantly heard from our customers as they view the wonderful garments as they are taken from their tissue packings and placed on display.

Next week will be an interesting one for shoppers at our store for loads and loads of the new will be received and placed out for your approval. Watch for our future announcements.

W. A. JACKSON CO.
"THE STORE AHEAD"

Berlenbach May Be Next Heavy Champ

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Jack Dempsey, in one of his syndicated articles, says that the fighter who wins the championship from him must do it with his left hand. He reasons that his left hand is his best, and he will remain champion until some challenger comes along with a faster landing punch.

Dempsey, it will be remembered, survived two of the greatest right hands in the business: The lightning-like thrust of Carpentier and the bludgeon-swing of the powerful Firpo.

It would seem then that the champion is right when he figures that he will have to be beaten by a left hand.

There is only one fighter coming up who shows a real left hand, and he is Paul Berlenbach, the latest light heavyweight sensation. He is the finest looking prospect to come out since Dempsey started knocking them dead six years ago.

Berlenbach is just a few pounds over the midlesweight class. He is only twenty-two years of age and he will fill out as he goes along. The way he has come along since he left the amateur ranks makes it seem that he may be the one who is to give Dempsey the real test.

Berlenbach has won 23 consecutive knockout victories and, in his first real test against Frank Carbone, he stopped a fighter who had never been knocked out before.

Berlenbach started out to be a wrestler. He is built ponderously about the neck and shoulders and he has a most powerful pair of arms. He seems to be a little bit muscle bound, but Dan Hickey, his trainer and instructor, feels sure that he can be loosened up.

Hughie McQuillan, one of the pitchers for the New York Giants, was the one who really got Berlenbach into boxing. He had tired of the amateur wrestling game, and one night McQullian asked him to put on the gloves in a little amateur tournament that was being held in their club at Astoria.

Berlenbach consented, and he knocked out nearly every one in the club. He took a liking to the gloves and decided to try the game. In his first bout in Jersey he was knocked kicking, but he was not discouraged, and he finally consented to place himself in the hands of Dan Hickey, boxing instructor at the New York Athletic Club.

Hickey has done wonders with him, and it is improbable that he will make any mistakes in bringing him along. He is being built slowly and well, and in another year he ought to be the light heavyweight champion. There aren't many of the top-notch light heavyweight now who could stand up under his murderous left hand.

Foot Ball Stars Kings Of Campus

DALLAS, Feb. 9.—Members of Southern Methodist University championship football team are "Kings of the Campus" these days.

Samples of the gold footballs, trophies awarded the members of the team, have arrived and have been displayed at the school here.

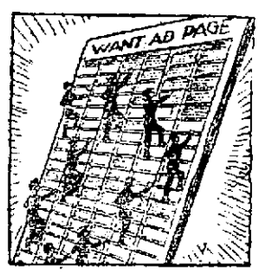
There are nine diamonds in the platinum "M" that adorns the footballs. The remainder of the trophies are expected to arrive and day.

BOYCOTT FRENCH CARS

BERLIN, (United Press.)—Germans owning French-made automobiles complain they are between the devil and the deep blue sea. When their cars are out of order, the German garages refuse to repair them because they are French and the French companies refuse to send spare parts because the cars are owned by Germans.

NOTICE

The Delphian Chapter will meet Wednesday at 3:30 p. m. at Library. Every member in urged to be present as important business is to be transacted.



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Many Wanted To Be The Public Executioner

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb.. 9.—Though R. L. Coleman resigned as Warden of the state penitentiary at Huntsville rather than become state executioner under the new law abolishing hanging, scores of applications have been received by the Prison Commission.

The majority of the applicants are men who have at one time served in a law enforcement capacity. Several soldiers are included in the lot. All declare they have no scruples in becoming legal "butcher" of Texas condemned criminals.

Several of the applicants have presented their qualifications in person to Governor Neff. Each mail also brings a flood while down at Huntsville opposite the gaunt gray prison a kindly faced, warm hearted former warden lives the life of a country hotel keeper rather than be warden and "butcher."

Bill Boards Are Issue In Bexar County This Year

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Feb. 9.—To destroy or not to destroy the bill boards along the public highways in this section has become a hot question among the candidates for the state legislature.

Claiming that many states have enacted bills abolishing the billboards and that Texas should not be backward in this respect, several candidates favor their destruction. They also declare they destroy the scenic beauty of the roads and cause accidents when placed on some curves.

Opponents have marshaled an array of reasons for the boards retention and the voter is to be the final arbiter of the question.

MOTION PICTURE TO TELL TEXAS HISTORY TO THE WORLD

FORT WORTH, Feb. 9.—Application for charter has been filed with the Secretary of State in Austin for the Sam Houston Foundation, the incorporators being Clarence Ousley, Judge W. P. McLean, W. M. Massie, Homer D. Wade and Mary K. Brookes. This is the first official move in a Statewide undertaking.

The Foundation, through a membership campaign, will raise a sufficient sum of money for the production of a motion picture of Texas history centering on the colonization and revolutionary period and featuring Houston and Austin. The entire amount received in membership fees will be retired from the first earnings of the picture, and the Foundation will continue to share in the profits of the picture in perpetuity.

The fund so acquired will be administered by a board of trustees of not less than 150 prominent persons from all parts of the State and will be used for scholarships.

The incorporators who constitute the temporary board of directors acting jointly with an auxiliary committee, will determine the authority to pass on the historic accuracy of the scenario. The auxiliary committee will be made up of representatives of the Federation of Women's Clubs, the Historic Commission and the Daughters of the Republic.

The historic picture will be preceded by a prologue, "Texas Today" showing the development of all parts of the State. In this picture a girl from each Congressional district will appear, and one of these will be chosen for the honor of appearing as "Miss Texas." An effort will be made to discover Texas girls with screen talents to appear in the historic picture.

The temporary officers for the immediate work are Clarence Ousley chairman; Homer D. Wade, of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, vice chairman; W. M. Massie, active vice president of the Fort Worth National Bank, treasurer; Mary K. Brookes, secretary; and Judge W. P. McLean, survivor of the Constitutional Convention and oldest active practicing attorney in Texas, legal advisor.

Camel Lived Here 590,000 Years Ago

SEATTLE, Feb. 9.—(United Press)—Animals peculiar to Asia at this day once had their home in the northwest, according to Marcus A. Hanna, instructor in geology at the Unievrsity of Washington.

An exploring party recently found bones believed ot have come from a leg of a camel and seemingly 500,000 years old, near Wenatchee, Wash.

"There is nothing unusual in that," Hanna said. "The camel was an American beast, and inhabited this continent for thousands of years before he emigrated to Asia by way of the Bering Strait.

Hanna declared that remains found in North America and particularly in the northwest, have long established the fact that the horse, the llama and the camel are all of the same ancestry.

March "COSMOPOLITAN"
Beginning a Novel by Rex Beach.

March "POPULAR SCIENCE"
"Most Wonderfully Illustrated Magazine in the World"

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Pictorial of Screen and Stage.

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UNITED PRESS DAILY LETTER

MIDDLESBORO, Ky—Rather than leave the poor house where he has been an inmate since he could not make a living painting houses, Gustave Salomez has turned down a claim to a $1,000,000 he has inherited. When a nephew, John Salomez identified Gustave as the rightful heir to the fortune, Gustave told John to go back. "You can have the million—I don't want it," said Gustave.

WASHINGTON.—An investigation will be made by the war department of the desirability of pardoning 54 negro soldiers imprisoned in Leavenworth penitentiary for their part in the Houston riots of 1917, President Coolidge told two negro delegations who called on him at the White House.

DALLAS.—After a nation wide search for her missing husband, the body of Mrs. R. H. Walters, who died here last November 11 will be buried tomorrow. The body has been kept in a local undertaking establishment while officials vainly sought to locate the young woman's husband who left the city while the woman was ill.

DALLAS.—"Tin can" golf has been barred by police department orders. On complaint of Oak Cliff residents an order has been issued forbidding boys from gathering on a vacant lot in Oak Cliff and batting a tin can around with sticks. The din raised by the 30 or 50 boys each afternoon was too much for the residents of the vicinity.

WASHINGTON.—Hiram Johnson will not withdraw from the presidential race. He has said so in emphatic language.

"I consider it a contemptible trick that statements are issued every few days from Coolidge headquarters intimating that I will withdraw from the race," said Johnson. "I want to say once and for all that I am going to put up a brave fight and am going to stay in until the end."

WASHINGTON.—Centralization at Memphis, Tenn., of the executive and sales offices of the American Cotton Growers exchange now located respectively at Dallas and Atlanta has been decided on by trustees of the exchange. The transfer will be effected about July 1 and is for the purpose of locating the important administrative machinery of the exchange at a central point.

WASHINGTON.—Movements are already under way to erect some permanent memorial for Woodrow Wilson. School children at Peoria, Ill., have started a fund for a memorial while friends of the former president here are discussing a "Wilson shrine," in Virginia, across the river from Washington. Other plans include some sort of memorial here or at Princeton University. Efforts will be made soon to bring together a representative group of Mr. Wilson's friends and admirers to discuss plans for a suitable memorial to him.

DALLAS.—Lucille Garrison, six years old, has gone back to her home in Tell, Texas, with good prospects of completely regaining her sight which was partially destroyed by the accidental discharge of a gun Christmas day. Shot penetrated her eyes and Lucille was rushed to Dallas for an operation.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

The Men's Bible Class of the Methodist Church meets every Sunday morning at 9:35 o'clock.

A good comfortable room and most instructive lessons each Sunday.

You are cordially invited to visit our class and join us if you will.

We are seeking a new viewpoint, a new realization, a wider vision. G. A. Walters, Teacher.

Things to Be Remembered

Let us be careful lest we offend our fellow man and estrange him from us for it may be that God intends a message for us through that very one. God speaks to us through one another. We must not break the connection.

Let us so live that there will be a poise of perfect understanding of the Father, ourselves and our purpose. There is nothing else worth while in the life of man.

If we could only learn to turn all things of this life into good for ourselves we would begin to understand that it is our privilege and surely is worth while.

"The law of Jehovah is perefct, restoring the soul;
The testimony of Jehovah is sure, making wise the simple.
The precepts of Jehovah are right, rejoicing the heart;
The commandment of Jehovah is pure, enlightening the eyes.
The fear of Jehovah is clean, enduring for ever.
The ordinances of Jehovah are true, and righteous, altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold;
Sweeter also than honey and the droppings of the honeycomb.
Moreover by them is thy servant warned.
Who can discern his errors? Clear thou me from hidden faults.
Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sin;
Let them not have dominion over me;
Then shall I be upright,
And I shall be clear from great transgression.
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
Be acceptable in thy sight,
O Jehovah, my rock, and my redeemer." —The Psalmist.

FAREWELL TO THE CHIEF

By LENA MAY McKEDAY
(Age 14.)

President Wilson born in '56 to die in '24,
Was a man honored by all Americans and more.
All the great allied nations of the land
Owe their liberty and freedom to his great hand.
In a time of turmoil and awful strife
For love and humanity he gave his life,
That these countries might be united
And the wrongs done by others be righted.
In those fearful days when war did rend
It was he who tried to gain a better end.
He tried to make the world a better place to live,
Teaching us how to forget and forgive.
The soldiers who in the war did fight,
Loved him, thinking all was right.
There is not a single one of them left
Who is not by his death sorely bereft.
He all humanity did love and bless,
And humanity loved him none the less.
His rank in history will surely be
With Washington and Jefferson, you see.
Too much his praises we cannot shout
Whether we are all in our school or out;
The whole nation is bowed down with grief
Because they have lost their noble chief.
Death has come to claim a glorious prize
And left us standing with sad and weeping eyes.
We should not weep and grieve so
For he has found a beter land, we know.
We are looking for the time when we shall meet
Our noble chief at our saviors feet.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday

Woman's Home Minssionary Society at Baptist Church at 3:30 p. m.
Woman's Missionary Society at Central Presbyterian Church.
Woman's Missionary Society at First Methodist Church.

Tuesday

American Legion meets at Legion hall at 7 p. m.
Bridge Club meets.
Royal Arch Masons meet.

Wednesday

Delphian Chapter meets.
Prayer meeting at all local churches.

Thursday

Civic Club meets.
Rotary Club luncheon at Majestic Cafe, 12:15 p. m.

Friday

Friday Club meets.
Lions Club luncheon at Majestic, 12:30 p. m.

Saturday

Junior Dramatic Club meets.

Letters from People

SUNNY BOY

Keys & Mason
Attorneys at Law
Nussbaum Building
Mexia, Texas, Feb., 1924.

Mr. Garland Adair,
Mexia, Texas.
Dear Garland:

We have another poet in twon in the person of Hutch Hutchinson, as you will see from the following clipping written to me by him.

Yours truly,
I. W. Keys.

Its said by Ben of the Rotary Club,
That your matched up to be my Dub,
Now if that be true, and I'm tied to you,
I'll stand no fooling, but want you to do.

So rise up early, and all the briefs file
And lets go to luncheon, in very grand style
In the Club there's an element, said to be rough
And the man to represent them, must be sure enough tough.

Your Sunshine Sister.

(With apologies to Ben Hunt and Pat Patterson.)

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The place to find those tools is at our store. We carry a good line of rakes, spades, shovels, hoes, and garden plows and we want to sell these to you.

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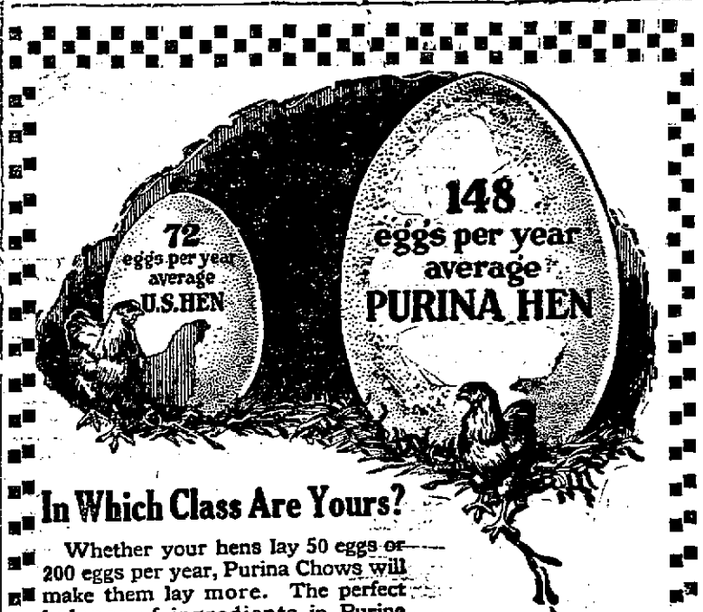

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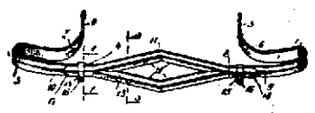
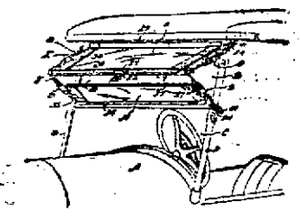
1,481,965. BUFFER. George Albert Lyon, Philadelphia, Pa.



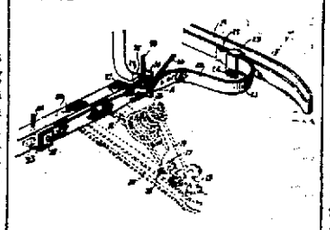
1. The automobile buffer comprising two spring steel strip members each having a rearwardly extending attaching member, an end loop and an inwardly extending connector portion having a forwardly bent V-sectioned stiffening aligning cross section, a co-operating contact connecting member of spring steel plate having outwardly extending connector portions formed with similarly bent V-sectioned aligning cross section co-operating with the connector portions of said spring strip members, said contact connecting member having vertically separated upper and lower contact portions of similarly stiffened angularly bent cross section to form a generally diamond shaped contact member at least three times as high as said strip members adjacent the central part of the buffer, and clamping devices to rigidly hold together the co-operating connector portions.

1,482,078. ADJUSTABLE VISOR. Elmer Hiatt, Newcastle, Ind.



1. An adjustable visor comprising in combination, a frame including a front compression member and upper and lower side members at each end portion of said compression member, the upper and lower side members at each end of the visor swingable toward and from each other with the fulcrum at the end portion of said compression member, a flexible panel fitting between the upper side members and a flexible panel fitting between the lower side members, and flexible devices connecting the side members and end portions of their respective panels, said flexible devices having a tendency to draw the free end portions of opposite side members toward each other and retain the flexible panels taut, when an object is interposed between the free end portions of said side members.

1,481,364. AUTOMOBILE BUMPER. Conrad Hansen, San Francisco, Calif., assignor to American Chain Company, Inc., Bridgeport, Conn., a Corporation of New York.

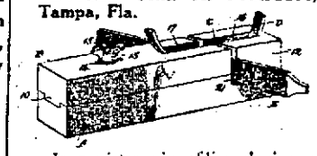


1. The combination with a bumper member designed to extend across the end of an automobile, of rearwardly extending attaching arms therefor, said arms having means at their rear end for attachment to the automobile frame and having intermediate offsets forming abutments to engage the automobile frame members endwise and thereby resist impact against the bumper member, said attaching arms comprising flat steel bars lying in a vertical plane, said arms having a portion between said end attaching means and said abutment disposed at an angle to the vertical to afford clearance when in place upon the machine.

1,481,636. CURTAIN LIGHT FOR MOTOR VEHICLES. Jacob Hammerl, Detroit, Mich., assignor to Packard Motor Car Company, Detroit, Mich., a Corporation of Michigan.

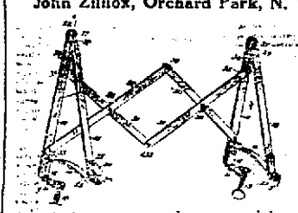
1. In a curtain light, metallic pane and fabric clamping members, a screw connecting said members, having an inwardly projecting shank, a threaded stud on said screw, and a finishing member adapted to cover a face of said clamping members, and having spring socket means to engage said stud.

1,481,595. PISTON-RING-FILING DEVICE. John A. Flanders, Tampa, Fla.



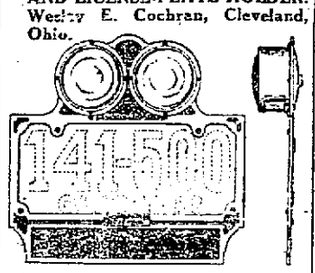
1. In a piston ring filing device, a piston ring support, means for guiding a file element operating between the terminals of a piston ring supported thereby, and means coacting with such ring when the latter is pressed against the support to force the terminals thereof against respective faces of an operating file element, said means acting to maintain the alinement of the terminals of said ring with each other.

1,482,338. LUGGAGE CARRIER. John Zilliox, Orchard Park, N. Y.



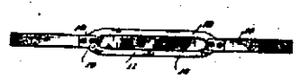
1. A luggage carrier comprising a horizontal base, a standard connected at its lower end with one end of said base and provided at its upper end with a button having a reduced neck and an enlarged head, and a brace detachably connected at its lower end with the opposite end of said base and provided at its upper end with a curved lip which engages its convex side with said standard and which has a longitudinal slot receiving the neck of said button.

63,842. COMBINATION LAMP AND LICENSE-PLATE HOLDER. Wesley E. Cochran, Cleveland, Ohio.



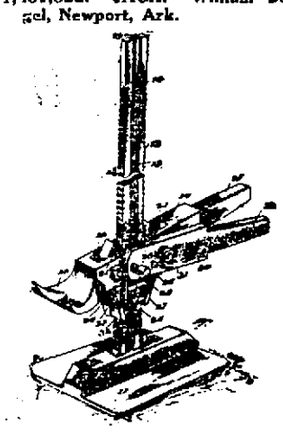
The ornamental design for a combination lamp and license plate holder, as shown.

1,482,226. BUMPER FOR AUTOMOBILES. Rollie B. Fageol, Oakland, Calif., assignor to American Chain Company, Inc., Bridgeport, Conn., a Corporation of New York.



1. A bumper for automobiles comprising a pair of flat resilient loop end horns having forward portions terminating in the same horizontal plane, the ends of said portions being spaced apart a distance substantially equal to a car frame upon which the bumper is mounted, and an increased impact area plate interposed between and connecting the forward terminating ends of said horns, said plate being pressed from a single piece of metal to form a substantially elliptical frame of channel section, the inner edges of said frame sections being integrally united by a web.

1,481,822. JACK. William Bengel, Newport, Ark.



1. A jack including an upright having a supporting base and opposite ratchet faces; a lever slidably guided on the upright and oscillatable with respect thereto, said lever being directly engageable with the work at one end and having an opposite handle end, spring controlled dogs pivotally supported by the lever and having depending portions engaging the ratchet faces of the upright, and a member carried by and shiftable with the lever and movable between and in engagement with the engaging portions of said dogs to force the latter out of engagement with the ratchet faces of the said upright.

Missionary Society Holds Two Study Classes In Every Month

The program of the Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church of Mexia calls for two study classes each month. On the second Monday of the month the class studies a book by Edward Increase Bosworth, entitled "Thirty Studies About Jesus." These studies are intended to bring out certain main points in Jesus' life and teaching that will help those who use them to know more about Him and to have more to do with Him."

The initial lesson in our new book will be studied on the fourth Monday of February. This book is: "The Child and America's Future," published jointly by the Council of Women for Home Missions and the Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada. The author, Jay S. Stowell, has long been a student of child welfare. He was put in charge of the Bureau of Publicity of the Board of Home Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church which gave him an opportunity to study conditions throughout every section of America.

The ladies of the Missionary Society stand ready at any time to cooperate with the other organizations in Mexia that are fostering movements for a better Mexia. They feel that a careful study of this book will be shown in tangible results.

The study classes meet at the parsonage, 605 East Commerce street at 3:00 o'clock on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. Competent leaders are appointed for each lesson and round table discussions invite the opinion of all those present. The ladies of this Church are urged to join the classes and we cordially invite others who may not be affiliated with other societies to meet with us.

Mrs. W. B. Landrum,
Superintendent of Study.

March McCall's Magazine now on sale at Pioneer News Stand.

NOTICE.

The store formerly known as Barron & Been grocery at 514 East Palestine will be closed after Saturday, February 9th. L. E. Beene who was connected with above firm has bought Mr. Forrests interest in the firm of Wilson & Forrest and will be glad to have all former customers call on him there. 10-2

PLUMMER.

Miss Ella Mae Plummer, age about 16, died at the home o fher grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henton Plummer, in the Kickapoo community Friday night at 11 o'clock of pneumonia complicated with measels. She was buried Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Kickapoo cemetery surrounded by many sorrowing friends among whom she was very popular. Rev. Joe Jones, of Shiloh read the burial service.

The deceased leaves several brothers and sisters and a grandfather and grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. Henton Plummer. Her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Plummer, are both dead, and the young lady prior to her death had been making her home with her grandparents.

The News joins with the many friends of the family in extending sincere sympathy to the seurviving loved ones in their hour of great sorrow.

The Justice court finished its roundup of the fortune tellers in the city when Judge Osborne Kennedy ordered Annie Buchanan, colored diviner of negro town, to appear in his court and answer charges of telling fortunes. The accused was released after hearing on a fine.

Walter Cook was in the city Saturday afternoon from Shiloh.

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The following unusually interesting program will be given at 6:15 by the young people of the Central Presbyterian church:

Leader: Taylor Jordan.

Subject: How and What Jesus Taught.

Song period.

Scripture lesson: Matt. 5:1-12; 3:13.

Prayer by member, closing with Lord's prayer in unison.

Christ's Conversations—Warren G. Dale.

Christ and our Father—Miss Sporer.

Christ and Immortality—J. D. Arrington.

Song: Follow, Follow On.

Christ's teaching about charity—Miss Laura McDonald.

Jesus teaches Brotherhood—Miss Hilda Clark.

Reading—Miss Marguerite Storey.

Jesus on the Sabbath—Roy A. Jordan.

Pastor's 5-minute lecture on the subject in a general way.

Business period.

Benediction.

The young people of this church extend to every young man and woman not affiliated with other young people's work to meet with us at this hour. Come and be with us.

AROUND THE CLOCK WITH TEAPOT DOME

Today

The Senate is expected to adopt the Robinson resolution demanding Denby's resignation.

The Teapot Dome committee will hear more about how valuable Sinclair considered Teapot Dome—so valuable he was willing to pay a large sum to prevent other claims interfering with his. F. G. Bonfils to resume testimony.

The committee may consider also nominations of Atlee Pomerene and Silas H. Strawn, presidential special counsel.

McAdoo's testimony has been deferred until Monday.

LaFollette may make public some inside facts regarding Fall's validation of California leases which every preceding official had held invalid.

Yesterday

The committee heard the beginning of Bonfil's story, how he, publisher of the Denver Post, got the facts about Fall's sudden wealth in New Mexico; suppressed those facts; how he got hold of some claims to part of Teapot Dome; how he went to Sinclair with the hidden facts and the claims and got $250,000 in cash and a contract for $1,000,000 more.

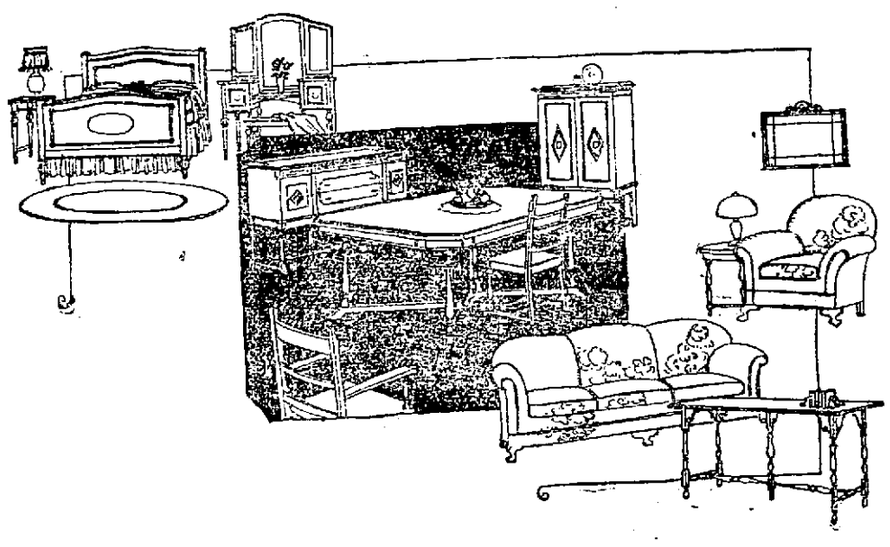
The Senate itself listened to a blistering excoriation of Secretary Denby by Senator Walsh, who demanded he be driven from public life, not impeached.

President Coolidge, in announcing his signature of the Walsh resolution ordering him to start to cancel the leases, said he was going to get immediate ruling by the courts on both the civil and criminal angles of the oil scandal.

Negro Charged With Reckless Driving Friday

Friday evening about 8 o'clock, Will Echols, colored, ran into two cars on the Tehuacana road near Mexia, damaging both cars but injuring no one. Echols was driving a Buick and was said to be making a fair rate of speed when he lost control of his machine and side-swiped two Ford roadsters which were driving one behind the other. The wheels of both roadsters were smashed in the collisions and the Buick was thrown into the ditch. Echols was arrested by Mexia officers and placed in jail charged with negligent driving.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Olsen were visitors to the city Friday from Waco.



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By JEANNE ROLAND
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Girls' Slip With Princess Front

Fashion's New Ideas in Youthful Underthings

As charming a bit of lingerie as Paris has sent to this side in any season is this slip of soft batiste. It is trimmed only with buttonholed scallops.

The distinguishing note in this lingerie slip is the straight print fashioned upon princess lines. The back is divided into a long-waisted bodice and a gathered skirt, which are joined over the hips with a rolled seam. The armholes and lower edge of the skirt are scalloped and finished with buttonhole embroidery. The slip calls for 1¾ yards of batiste 36 inches wide.

The first figure gives the entire front view of the slip, while the second illustrates the detail of the buttonhole stitch.

First outline both edges of the scallop with small running stitches, then pad them with soft cotton. To make the buttonhole stitch, begin at the left hand of the work, a little distance up from the edge. Draw the needle through the under edge of the material and then through the loop. Again hold the thread down with the left thumb and place the needle a little distance from the first stitch. Again bring it down through the loop. At the corners of the scallops, make the stitches slightly shorter.

There are many other pleasing ways of trimming the armholes and lower edges of the skirt. A narrow ruffle of embroidery is always acceptable, as are also frills of Valenciennes, Irish crochet or cluny lace.

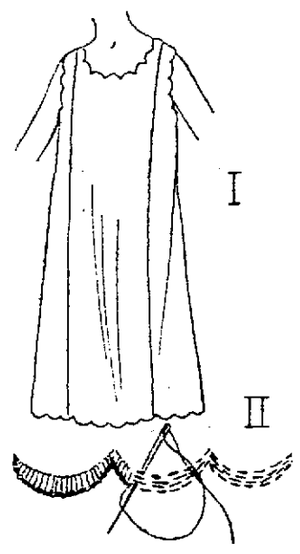

Fig. I—Front of Slip.
Fig. II—Embroidered Scallops.

Sometimes when buttonholed scallops are used, a frill of soft thread lace is added to protect the edge of the embroidery.

AMERICA NOT INDIFFERENT

By FRANCIS H. SISSON,
Chairman, Public Relations Commission, American Bankers Association.

While the facts justify the belief that the financial and general economic strength of the United States

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is so great that it creates a stability here which cannot be seriously shaken by the adverse conditions in Europe, it still remains true that an attitude of indifference to these distressing conditions is unworthy of the American people. In fact, I believe that such indifference does not exist. The nation is observing with deep interest the progress of events abroad and has given many evidences of a readiness to aid in restoring normal conditions there whenever it is seen that a suitable opportunity is afforded.

Our people have naturally been reluctant to act while the European nations still fail to display the will to accept the only terms on which rehabilitation is possible, and to abandon their mutual hatreds and distrusts, their persistence in preparation for further warfare, and their destructive political and financial policies. Such policies have so weakened the credit of some of the continental nations that the task of aiding them seems futile until it is clear that these policies are discredited and disowned by them.

Although it seems clear from the record of recent years that America, more perhaps than any other country, has been and will continue to be able to adjust itself without serious disaster to the conditions created by European depression, and has in its own vast domestic market and in other non-European markets an outlet for its products adequate to maintain a fair degree of national prosperity, the fact remains that it is very definitely to the selfish interests of the United States to have Great Britain and the European continental countries regain their normal prosperity at the earliest possible date. They normally absorbed between 60 and 70 per cent of American exports, but recently have been taking less than 50 per cent.

Moreover, the rich contribution which Europe has made in the past to the upbuilding of other parts of the world, including the United States, would seem to create a genuine obligation upon other countries to come to its aid in the present period of difficulty. General well-being throughout the entire world will be diminished to a degree as long as Europe is unable to play its part in production and consumption of valuable products. It possesses vast resources of skill and equipment for the production of useful commodities in demand by all nations, and loss continues while these resources are limited in their use by poverty and by adverse political and social conditions.

That the share of the United States in this loss is relatively small should not preclude an active interest in every promising effort that may be made to restore the European nations to economic and financial health.

For Community Betterment

The Committee on Agriculture of the Missouri State Bankers Association has sent out a questionnaire to all members to secure a frank opinion as to what are the most important community problems to be solved in the state. The questionnaire covers bank deposits, crops, schools, manufacturing, roads, junior club work, agricultural agencies, co-operative agencies, farm abandonment, land values, finances, dairying, and social life, with a view in determining what work should be undertaken for the year.

ON THE WAY DOWN TOWN

By SLYBOOTS

I met Dr. Jackson and asked him how he enjoyed the installation recital at the Methodist church. He replied that he did not stay all the way through, as he had heard folks talking about "acoustics" and saying that they would be there. He added that he had never seen acoustics, didn't want to see any, didn't think they ought to be allowed in a church and that he would not stay to see them.

About that time Pat Patterson came along and, naturally, the conversation changed. You know Pat has a way of changing the conversation when he arrives anyhow. It wasn't about hard times, however. He was worried. We could see that that was the case. Upon asking him to explain he said that he felt sure that he had ruined himself with Ben Stollenwerck. We asked for tetails. He replied:

"It has been said that Walter Womack and most of us carry our respectability in our wives names and I have positively reached the conclusion that all of us carry our table manners in much the same place. While in Corsicana recently I ate at a perfectly good restaurant, but got in the habit of taking the napkin at the beginning of the meal to wipe my knife. Last night I was invited to dine at Ben's. We were nicely seated and patiently waiting for the first course and I quite nonchalantly took up the silver and altogether unthinkingly rubbed it briskly. By the time I got to the spoon I realized what I had been doing, for Ben was glowering at me from the head of the table."

Pat was more down and out than I have ever seen him before and he asked me to write this so that Ben would know that he wouldn't do it again. For the first time in his life, Pat admitted defeat. He said that he was convinced that it was easier to be a philosopher than a humorist. If you don't believe it you go somewhere, he added, and clean all the silverware around your plate while the host is watching. Vain was his attempt to be funny the rest of the dinner, he admitted, as all of his jokes seemed to have no more influence on his host than a platform has on a political party.

By this time we had arrived at the Split Nickle Grocery, where Doc Corley was standing counting the caraway seed in a loaf of bread. "Sly," he said, "I had the thrill of my sweet bald headed life out on Ross Avenue yesterday afternoon. We, the fair one and I, had been teasing the freckles out of a chocolatte cream of soda and were seeing the city, the motor way, when the fair one asked me if I had ever seen where she was vaccinated. I told her no, and she then exclaimed "There it is," pointing to the Brown hospital."

Enders Groover came along about this time with a plaster on his chin. I asked him where he was going and he replied to the post office to mail a letter in which he was sending an application for a patent to Washington. I knew he wanted me to ask it, so I queried: "Groover, what are you patenting, now." He replied that he had invented two hand holes in the walls of bathrooms. I knew why he was wearing the bandages then, but he went on to assert that there is nothing so slippery as a bath tub and nothing harder than the side of that same tub when it flies at your chin.

Texas Girl Is Murdered In New York

By FRANK GETTY
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Back home in the Texas town where her daddy kept a grocery store, Louise Lawson was a girl prodigy. Not a girl for miles around in the Lone Star State could play the piano as Louise could at 12. Her folks sent her to New York fom Walnut Springs to complete her musical education—a little slip of a Texas girl with a winsome cultured manner that made her influential friends.

Today, a grief-stricken mother was hurrying north and physicians were performing an autopsy upon the brain of the girl who was 24 when she met violent death Friday, to determine whether she was strangled or smothered in her luxurious West Side apartment known as "The Monastery"

And it was not in musical circles that police and derectives searched for the murderer and motive but in the haunts of bootleggers and fences and the murky byways of the city's underworld where jewel thieves hide. Wealthy friends and sponsors of the Texas girl, including Gerhard M. Dahl, chairman of the executive committee of a big transit company, were being questioned.

Miss Lawson's body, clad in a blue silk night gown was found sprawled in the abandon of death across the lace coverlet of an expensive mahogany bed in her apartment. Silken hose and torn strips of filmy underware bound her hands and feet, while across her mouth, apparently the cause of death, a Turkish towel had been fastened with strips of surgeon's plaster.

Two men who gained admission to Miss Lawson's apartment a few hours before her body was discovered told the elevator boy that they were bootleggers.

Three jewel boxes, fashioned in mahogany that matched the furniture in the apartment had been ransacked. Platinum watches, diamonds and other jewelry were missing.

The movies lure had drawn the little Texas moth for a while, it developed and when she last visited Walnut Springs admiring friends of her childhood were given to understand she had become successful as a film actress. This explained the smart clothes and the brilliant gems she wore.

When police, summoned to the "Monastery" by the hysterical "yah-yahs" of a negro maid, found the slain girl's body and the evidences that jewel thieves, masquerading as bootleggers had committed the brutal crime they turned to a search of the victim's personal belongings.

Photographs of men, one on the mahogny dresser in a big silver frame, others scattered about the dainty furnished apartment, led to the true story of her life of the past four years.

She had been friendly with Angier B. Duke and had been present on the yachting party when that heir to a $50,000,000 tobacco fortune was drowned last September.

One of the photographs was inscribed "Jerry Doll," and astute detectives soon had translated this into Gerhard M. Dahl, of the Brooklyn Manhattan Transit executive committee.

The latter had engaged a lawyer who spoke for him.

"Mr. Dahl was interested in Miss Lawson's musical career. She was a remarkable pianist, I hear," said Frederick Landeck, attorney.

Stock of the Brooklyn Manhattan Transit Company to the Value of $12,000 was found in Miss Lawson's name, held by Hayden Stone & Co., where Dahl had his offices.

A passbook issued by the Commercial Trust Company showed a balance to Miss Lawson's credit of $1,000.

H. S. Wofford of Coolidge was in the city Saturday.

C. E. Booth was here Friday from Austin.

E. J. Hunter was here from Sherman Friday.

W. H. Poole of Bay City was a visitor to Mexia Friday.

Hy Martin was here Friday from Waxahachie.

W. B. Langford of Normangee was a visitor to Mexia Friday.

O. A. Stubbs was here from Austin.

B. King of Waco was a Saturday visitor to the city.

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WANTED—Experienced rotary driller, must know coastal formations, deep drilling, state age, references, wells brought in. Big salary. Julian Thomas, 438 S. Presa, San Antonio. 10A1

FOR SALE OR RENT—Two room house, located 316 E. Titus. J. H. Cline. 10K2

LOST—Ladies Shrine pin between City Hall and 418 East Milam street. Finder return to Mrs. Arrington at the above address or phone 53. 10D1

BUSINESS CHANCES—Profitable opportunities for men and women with from $1,000 to $100,000 to get into business in Cincinnati, Ohio. Address, Oberst Burbank, Provident Bank Bldg. 10A4

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About Retailers--the Growing Mass and the Dwindling Class

Goods which are well advertised nationally by the manufacturer are largely sold to the public before they ever reach the retailer.

Goods which are not advertised by the producer must be sold by the retailer.

In the one case, the manufacturer has done a great part of the job; in the other he has left it all for the dealer to do.

For many articles, national advertising creates an actual demand, so that all the dealer need do is to say: "You can buy it here." In other lines, the advertising identifies the product in the possible boyer's mind, arouses his interest in it and establishes his confidence in the maker, upon which the dealer can cash in by his own selling efforts.

But with unadvertised goods, the retailer must start from scratch.

Retailers who favor nationally advertised lines believe in selling what the public wants. They are a growing mass.

Retailers who favor unadvertised lines believe in selling what they want the public to buy. The yare a dwindling class.

The ranks of these latter retailers are rapidly growing smaller because most of them are learning that public confidence is the basis of successful sellinf; that quick turnover is a shorter and surer road to profit than long discounts on slow-moving, dust-gathering goods; that even those customers who appear to swallow their selling talk on unadvertised merchandise have a discouraging way of not coming back for more.

Just the other day a paint and varnish dealer in California wrote to a manufacturer in the Middle West whose name is known through national advertising wherever varnish is used, "We are discontinuing our other lines and hereafter will center our efforts upon (mentioning the name of the maker's product) because the demand is for it."

About the same time a printer in a northern Ohio city was telling his paper jobber that thereafter he intended to standardize on a certain nationally advertised make of bond paper because "everybody knows it, and it is so easy to sell."

And a druggist who carries packaged chocolates stated that he stocked only the nationally known makes, with the exception of one make well known locally, because all he had to do was hand out what the customer asked for and take the money.

Ten years ago—yes, even five—the manufacturer's salesman who went around to the trade and talked about his firm's national advertising was likely to be met with the statement that it would be a lot better if his concern took the money it was putting into advertising and used it to enlarge discounts to the trade.

Today, the fact that he is a real national advertiser is a tremendous asset with the trade to any manufacturer, and his salesman's portfolio of advertising is as important as—very frequently more important than—his sample case.

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Shoe And Stocking Styles For Spring

By HEDDA HOYT
(Fashion Editor of the United Press)
(Written for the United Press)

PARIS, France, Feb. 9.—(United Press.)—"Soles for sale," last season's shoe drama, has been scratched off the fashion boards. After a long run, it has been decided that soles held together by straps had many bad lines, to say nothing of poor support.

Shoes are no longer mere wisps of leather attached to a heeled sole. Perhaps fashion is revolting against eccentric shoe styles, but more likely women are revolting against fallen arches and crippled insteps. Paris still likes the strap idea for shoes, but insists upon some arch and foot support other than the tiny vamp that just covers the big toe.

Velvet for Shoes

Velvet is used quite as much as satin for dressy shoes this season. Models are usually made with the medium short vamp, but with good arch support. Buckles of rhinesont and rhinestone monograms are used frequently on these dressy shoes. Patents and other leathered shoes are also to be monogramed this year, with stenciled colors or with cut-outs.

Evening shoes can not be too glittering. There are some of silver cloth studded with rhinestone through out, others with entire heels of rhinestones with plain metal cloth used for the rest of the shoe. Brocaded slippers still retain their popularity, but are worn only with dark colored gowns, or gowns of the same material. Silver is by far the most important shade for evening and it is always worn with the flesh or nude stocking. Both silver and gold-dipped leather is being used, although it is not as attractive as the gold or silver cloth, to my mind.

Black shoes with pipings of contrasting colors are worn with the street frock. There are black shoes with red, purple and yellow pipings that go very prettily with the colorful embroidered frock. In no instance is the coloring blatant, however.

Red, green and blue shoes such as we saw last summer will not be as popular this season as last, although for sport wear there will be shoes that use these colors, but usually in conjunction with white. Spring will see many colors again, but subdued ones, such as taupe, deer shades, light browns and dark corn collar. Suede will be a popular feature for these colorings.

There seems to be no let up on light colored hosiery. Women have entirely given up the black stocking. Colors that verge on peach tones are favored by the Parisians.

Fashion Notes

Paris is wearing frocks with fringe from the knee down which carry out the flounce idea.

Summery frocks of voiles and linens have skirts made entirely of tiny ruffles.

The newest sports cape is hand-crocheted in lustered wool. A varicolored effect is produced by using rows of contrasting or blending colors with a fringe of these same tones. These capes are made on large needles and with a drop-stitch so that the effect is somewhat lacy. By knitting several rows of each different shade a striped effect is obtained.

The Spanish shawl will be used extensively for the summer evening wrap this season. It has been a popular wrap in England for years, but has never met with much success in America.

Mexia Girls Team Defeats Mart Tm.

The game between the Mexia Girls team and the Mart team Friday at the High School gymnasium was a speedy affair from start to finish. The Mexia girls are to be complimented on their endurance as they never slowed up. They started fighting and they ended fighting and through their efforts they won from Mart 26 ot 16.

The fight of Mexia's guards and the speed of their forwards were the chief features of the game. The accuracy of the forwards inshooting goals and the lose guarding of Mart's forwards by the scrappy little guards was the deciding factor of the game.

The lineup was—Mexia: Bybee and Irwin, forwards; Kenuedy (c) and Hendon, centers; Travis and Turner, guards. Substitutes, Stewart for Travis and Taylor for Irwin.

Mart: Geisler and Rogers, forwards; Folley and Folley, centers; Lowry and Spencer, guards.

Referee, Mullins.

Mart Boys Beat Mexia Boys In Fast Basketball

The Mexia Hi Black Cats, minus the services of Captain Lucas and Treadway, lost a hard fought basket ball game to the Mart Hi aggregation at the High School gym court Friday night by the score of 27 to 13. The Mart team was much bigger in size than the locals but they had no more fight than the local squad led by Dutch Cox in the absence of Captain Lucas.

Cox and Buford did exceptionally well at guard postions and they gave the forwards of the Mart five no little worry. A new man, Hubert Simmons, playing at forward, played a jam up game for tha locals. He caught the Mart signals at the very first and lost no time in breaking up their plays. He led the locals for points, making the first count, which was a long field goal in the first quarter. He is credited with six points, followed closely by Forrest with five to his credit.

Gillman, at forward and Thomas at center were the leading players for the Mart quintet.

Mexia—			
Player	F. G.	Foul G.	F. C.
Forrest, F	1	3	0
Simmons, F	2	2	0
Blitch, C	0	0	3
Kendrick, C	0	0	0
Cox, G	0	0	3
Buford, G	0	2	3
Totals	3	7	8
Mart—			
Player	F. G.	Foul G.	F. C.
Patrick, F	1	0	0
Gillam, F	4	2	2
Thomas, (Capt.,) C	5	1	2
Douglas, G	2	0	0
Harris, G	0	0	0
Sims, G	0	0	1
Totals	12	3	5

Bob Franks refereed the game and called a good game.

A GREAT COMEDY TEAM IN THIS PICTURE

Charles Winninger and Hugh Cameron, two of Broadway's best known comedians, appear together in Thomas Meighan's latest Paramount picture, "Pied Piper Malone," adapted by Tom Geraghty from Booth Tarkington's original story and due at the National Theatre on Monday.

Winninger's work in "The Good Old Days," a recent success in New York City, has fitted him well for the role of Louise, the barber, in this picture.

Mr. Cameron plays the village photographer and you'll die laughing when he has an entire group "watching the birdie" and ready to be shot and then has to tell one of the men to stop posing with his thumbs in the armholes of his vest. And this is but one of the many comedy scenes in "Pied Piper." The inimitable pair keep right at their fun-making thruout its entire length, relieving the tenseness of the highly dramatic acting of the principal players.

Lois Wilson heads the supporting cast which includes George Fawcett, Cyril Ring and Joe Burke.

Rotarians Entertain Nairators At Luncheon Thursday at Noon

On last Thursday the Nairators were guests of the Rotarians at lunch at the Christian Church. The occasion was enjoyed by every member of the Nairators who heartily appreciate the interest that the Rotarians have shown in them.

After the luncheon, Mr. Stollenwerck reported the absence of several of the members. Motions were at once heard for shooting them at sunrise. W. B. Kendrick, Jr., then made a talk on the principles and ideals of the Nairators. He paid honor to the club by his creditable speech. Mrs. Denning next entertained the company with a song which was greatly enjoyed by all, especially by Reuben Storey who kept humming the tune the rest of the day.

Mr. Lowery Martin of Corsicana then brought forth the discussion of a Texas Semi-Centennial. He stated that the city of St. Louis first started out to have a city celebration. This movement grew so big that it became a state affair. It kept on growing until it became a national and then an international celebration. As Mr. Berry later stated, if the city of St. Louis started such a big thing, what can the State of Texas do? "Think it over."

Students Observe Memorial Service

The saddest and most impressive assembly of the year was held in the High School auditorium Monday in observance of the death of Woodrow Wilson. Mr. A. Garland Adair made an address to the students and faculty upon the life of Mr. Wilson. Mr. Adair showed how the life of Woodrow Wilson might be taken as an example because of his high sense of honor and Christian ideals.

The school further showed its respect on this day by lowering the flag to half-mast, and observing the minute of absolute silence at three o'clock in the afternoon.

The ninth grade girls now taking the course in Foods which the eighth grade girls took last term, and they have entered the contest with the first year class in gaining and losing. Every morning about eight-thirty there is a scramble for milk bottles among the underweight girls while the overweight stand by and cast a longing look wishing they were under weight. The fat girls imagine that they are being treated very badly sometime as they cannot have the good things to eat that the slim girls are allowed. Some of the girls gained rapidly last term, while some came tumbling down, and a few remained the same.

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R. J. Younger & Co. Celebrated Oysters
McReynolds Moo-Cow Butter
Buck's Special Pure Pork Sausage
Sunshine Biscuits

Westminsted And Hillsboro Tie

Westminster College basket ball teams, boys and girls, played Hillsboro College at Hillsboro Friday. The girls team won from the Hillsboro sextet with a score of 16 to 10.

In the first game between the boys, played Friday afternoon, the Westminster boys defeated the Hillsboro team by a score of 40 to 28. Stars of the game were Potter, who did excellent work for the Wildcats at guard and Erskine, whose goal throwing was mostly responsible for the victory. In the second game the Westminster boys were defeated by the score of 37 to 30.

The lineup for W. C. during both games was: Prince and McDonald, forwards; Mills, center; Potter and Hornbeck, guards. Erskine was substitute for Prince in the first game, and played at the same position during the entire second game.

In the games played sometime ago at Tehuacana between these same teams the Westminster teams both won from the Hillsboro teams.

"Aixem" Contest

The nonimees for the popularity contest of the Aixem were selected last week. They are as follows:

Best Boy Athlete
Dutch Cox.
Wayne Thompson
Wayne Lucas

Best Girl Athlete
Clara Belle Bybee
Ruby Kenedy
Pearle Goolsby

Most Brilliant Boy
Machon Forrest
Reginald Thomas
Edward Allen

Most Brilliant Girl
Joy Adams
Undine Weaver
Josie Wright

Best All Around Boy
Robert Storey
Marvin Bennett
Doyle Perkinson

Best All Round Girl
Georgie Hoover
Albertine Mace
Jessie Mae Sherrer

The contest proper will begin Monday. From 8:30 until 8:50 will be the voting time. The voting polls will be in the lower hallway. The four class solicitors and Machon Forrest will be at the polls at this time.

Every student should support these candidates and all votes from the public will be highly appreciated. The votes will sell for a penny a vote. Any one paying all or part of their subscription for the Annual will receive votes in proportion to amount paid on Annual.

Everybody vote. See that your candidate gets a full page in the 1924 Aixem.

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(This Was Written By a Woman)

MAGIC NAMES

THE influence of advertising is apparent in every turn of my daily life. I find I cannot disregard it. It is always with me, guiding me in my pleasures and in my duties, telling me what I should eat, wear, and use and what I should buy for my family.

I find that there is on the tip of my tongue a multitude of names the mention of which will bring from some shelf nearly everything that I can use in my daily life and in the daily life of my family.

In every instance that name means a very definite promise and assurance of something substantial and which will make me feel completely satisfied about having exchanged my money for it.

Let me say a few things which these names—these old friends of the newspaper and magazine pages—mean to me.

They mean good taste. For certainly I desire to do the thing that I believe discriminating people have judged best.

They mean convenience. It is not necessary to describe the thing I want. Even the most intimate articles may be purchased without embarrassment since the advertisers have given us handy names.

They mean assurance in shopping. There is no indecision. Even before I enter the shop I know what I want to buy.

And certainly they mean satisfaction. For the advertiser whose product is not good cannot continue to advertise. The fact that I have seen a name repeated over and over again assures me that it stands for a product of quality. In speaking that name to the clerk I know I am asking for the best.

I am a more judicious shopper because I buy from merchants who advertise their goods.

Freestone County Due for Big Pay

Situated in Freestone County "away back in the woods" so to speak we find some of the most interesting portions of Freestone county. It is not merely interesting in the fact that it is "way off" but in the fact that this territory which has long been neglected is to get a big play in oil "wild-catting." This is a country little heard of in papers yet geologically it means a lot to the wild-catter and geologist alike. Wells have been drilled and as the saying goes. Wells come and wells have gone, but the territory goes on forever." In referring to any one portion of the Southeastern end of Freestone county we practically speak of all parts of the southeastern end of the county. During the earliest days of wild-catting we find development being carried on by the Texas Company in which several test holes were drilled in the eastern section of Freestone County and the showing of these wells drilled in the neighborhood of ft and the show of oil greatly influenced this company to purchase heavily in land in fee, in mineral rights and in leases and no doubt this tends to draw considerable attention to this section at this time.

During the Mexia boom we find the wildcatters'—a group of promoters that embraced this section as "Mexia field" at least twenty miles and as a result of their activity this territory while receiving some notriety, was greatly overlooked by the honest-to-goodness developers. Many dry holes resulted, due to the fact that geology as used merely meant the blocking of acreage and the erection of derrick and the employment of an expert advertiser—all combining to produce the "mazuma."

This has been eliminated and each and every test will be certain to be thorough under present conditions. A "dry" hole can only condemn its twenty inch of surface. A case of this instance is recorded in the Powell field where a wild-cat in 1921 "dry" because a producing lease when drilled in 1923. It is true, wild-cats are usually dry except when pipe line runs prove otherwise but who can fore tell what will develope in the region of former "dry holes."

The test referred to on the Keechi Dome was the No. 1 test of the Keechi Petroleum Company who using both rotary and standard tools completed the test to 4000 feet and the moving off four miles into Freestone county engaged in their second test, the Pickens' No. 1. located four miles north of their first test. At a depth 3800 feet where they have had considerable trouble fishing we learn reliably that in bailing the bailer shows 30 per cent oil in the fluid bailed. Gas is also in evidence. This company has also made location for their No. 3 well located west of the Pickens' No. 1 and this is taken to mean that the formations to the west shall be given a test. Along this line it is noted that in Government report: "Dry holes condemn country only so far as they show unfavarable sand conditions." Attention is drawn to several tests made in this territory heretofore: The Mike Haley Mexia Pool No. 1 near Butler encountered both oil and gas at 1700 and drilled a second test with rotary and failed to secure commercial production, yet the No. 1 Edwards of the Dorado Oil Syndicate in their Edwards' Ranch well at around 3000 feet also secured oil and gas showing that this territory widely separted at three different points secured the sands showing "favorable sand conditions." This can be taken to mean that it will be a matter of time before commercial production will be secured in this vicinity by some of tests now drilling or tests that will start up as a result of locations made.

From various sources we find that such "phemomena" as "bogs" on being vibrated produce "gas" which becomes ignited and burns. Other cases of asphyxiation of men digging water wells at shallow depths merely show that somewhere in this area is an unlimited possibility of handsome reward to the driller and company securing proper locations. Geology, heretofore unnoticed will play a big part in this territory as the "chance" is here and proper use of geology will determine the points of location, which were heretofore not uesd, but "water geology" or nearness to water and the least use of waterline predominating the choice of location.

The Dorado Syndicate in its No. 1 Edwards drilled during 1921 secured both oil and gas, yet geologists concede that location was not in line for proper production, and to test further the theory and geologists faith, a location has been made about 1 1-2 miles east of the location for another test well by other interests This location is 3 1-2 miles west of the Pickens test and on a location approved of being one of the best locations made in that vicinity Rig has been installed and it is reported that operations will be in effect within a short time. Rotary tools are to be used.

Near Butler we find that the Pool-McDaniel interests in their block of acreage which has been thoroughly geologized has a location and at an early date operations will commence. Another location has also been made three miles north of the Keechi well at what is known as "Jolly's Slough." The test will receive much attention from mapor interests.

Shirley and Gillespie in their Hackney-Weaver No. 1, 4 miles northwest of Teague are drilling below the Austin Chalk at around 2800 feet having the chalk at a higher depth than found in the McNeil-McDowell operation 1-4 mile east during the Mexia boom days The Gillespie and Shirley test has been showing gas and a real play is expected around this location.

Preparations are being made to start the test of Teague and it is thought within a short while the operation will be started.

The O. K. after a strong gas show in the 1700 foot depth with 8-inch casing set has bailed down the hole and a bridge developed and is being drilled out. If nothing developes plans call for the cleaning out to 3009 feet where 6 5-8. now on the ground will be set and a test made of a prolific sand encountered showing considerable gas and oil. This test has long been the center of attraction, being the oldest well in operation in this territory and a reward of success would mean much to the vicinity in which the Amarada interests have heretofore drilled three wells to the 3000 foot level and abandoned with no reports given out.

The Green well is drilling in the neighborhood of 4000 feet and developments are expected as the Abernathy test drilled last year is reported to have encountered a 27 foot gas sand but collapsed casing forced the abandonment. Other blocks of acreage is being formed and geologists are noted working in sections of Freestone county and it is believed that shortly the entire county will be in the midst of a big drilling campaign.

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Bible School at 9:45. A class for every age. If you are not attending a Bible School we want you to visit us.

Worship and preaching at 11:00. Subject for the sermon: "The Cause of the Wreck." This is a sermon you should hear.

Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Come any enjoy and be benefited by this service.

At 7:30 we shall join in the Wilson Memorial Service which will be held at the First Baptist Church.

THE BIBLE NO FABLE

At the First Presbyterian Church, corner Bonham and Milam, this morning at eleven o'clock, the Pastor, Rev. E. H. Hudson, will preach on the above subject.

At 7:30 Memorial Service at First Baptist Church.

The Men's Bible Class at 9:45 will be taught by Mr. G. E. Mitchell.

The Young People of the Church will meet this evening at 6:30.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in Opera House building, second floor.

Sunday School at 10 a. m.

Wednesday evening meeting 8 p. m.

Reading room open from Monday till Saturday; hours from 12:30 to 4:00 p. m.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services and visit the reading room.

POST OFFICE AT BIG HILL CLOSED

The Bighill postoffice was officially declared closed on January 31. The books and records were turned over to postmaster V. T. Williams. Route one out of Bighill was changed to route 6 out of Thornton and Claude Rogers appointed temporary mail carrier, Fred Line having resigned.

Want Donkey Trail For The Kiddies

FT. WORTH.—A new feature planned for Forest Park here is a donkey trail for the kiddies.

George Clark, city park expert, is making a collection of gift donkeys and soon as he gets enough of the animals and selects a location the trail for the kiddies will be thrown open.

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The McKinney Street Parent-Teacher Association will meet Thursday afternoon at 3:45 at the school building. All parents are urged to attend.

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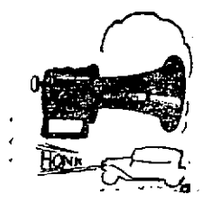

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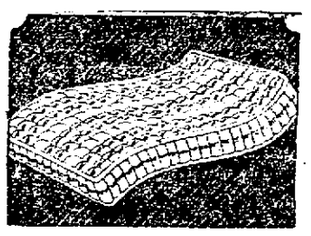

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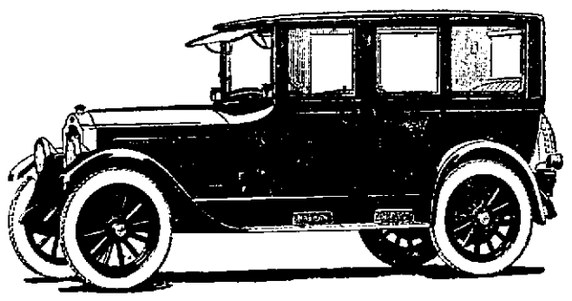

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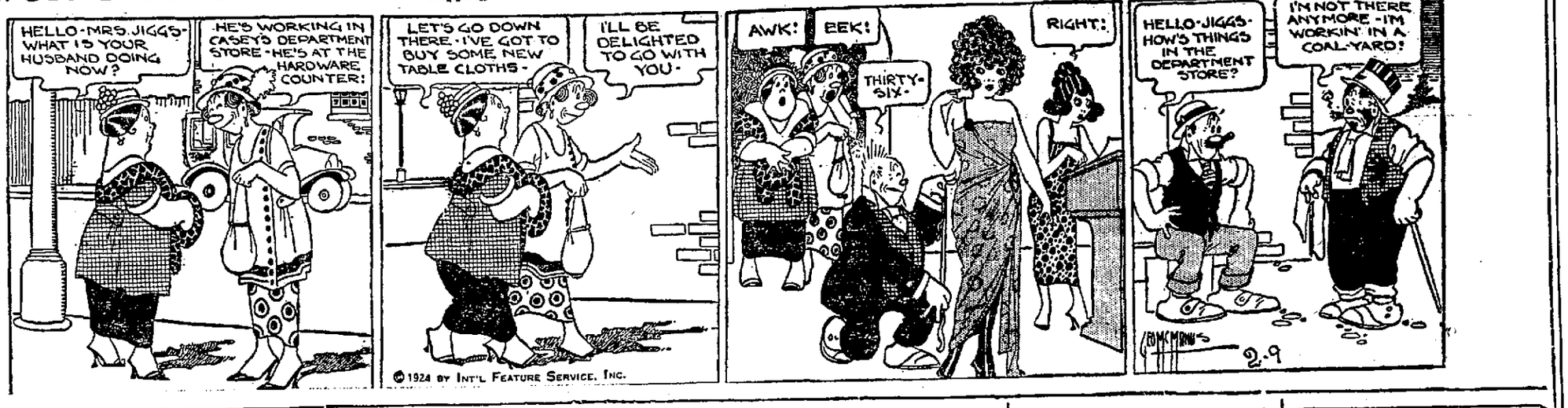
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LOST AND FOUND—D.

LOST—Scotish Rite ring between High School, South McKinney and Smith street. Phone 446-J, Mrs. Billie Gray. 6D3

LOST—Female bull pup with "Sonny" on her collar. Liberal reward for return to Pete Mayes, Stuart Auto Supply Co. 7D3

LOST—Man's hat between high school building and Roseland confectionery. Return to News Office, or call 146. 8D2

WANTED TO BUY—E

WANT TO BUY—J. K. Hughes Developing Company, E. L. Smith Oil Company, Mexia Heart of Pool Royalty Company, Powell Five Hundred, Jesse McLendon, room 1 McLendon building, Mexia, Texas. 18E30

WANTED TO BUY—A medium size safe for office use. Phone 52. Mexia Feed & Fuel Company. 5E4

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NOTICE TO ALL STOCKHOLDERS OF HUMPHREYS OIL COMPANY

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of Humphreys Oil Compay, duly and legally called and held in the city of New York on Thursday, February 7th, 1924, of the time and place of which meeting and object and purpose thereof, each member of the Board received more than three (3) days' notice, and at which meeting a majority of the whole Board were present, a resolution was unanimously adopted that in the judgment and opinion of the Board of Directors it was deemed advisable and for the best interests of the corporation and its stockholders, that said Humphreys Oil Company should be dissolved and its franchises surrendered, and further, a special meeting of the stockholders is called to meet at the office of the company at Mexia, Texas, between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and three o'clock in the afternoon, to wit: at eleven o'clock A. M. on Saturday, March 1st, 1924, for the purpose of considering and taking action upon said proposed dissolution. The Secretary of the corporation was authorized and directed to mail within ten (10) days after the date of said directors' meeting, notice to each stockholder of the adoption of such resolution, which has accordingly been done.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
(Signed) COL. H. MAUD,
Secretary of Humphreys Oil Co.
Feb. 8-15-22

NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

THORNTON

Glena Juanell, age 2 years, 2 months and 28 days, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira W. Brates, died Thursday, January 31. Her remains were intered in the Cobb Cemetery Friday afternoon, Rev. W. W. Woodson of Groesbeck conducting the burial service.

A short memeorial service was held for Former President Woodrow Wilson, here Wednesday afternoon about 3:30. School adjourned and teachers and pupils came down and gathered around the flag pole with many others. Mayor Black was master of ceremonies. The service was opened by the children singing "America." Judge Tucker, O. R. Rasco, and T. J. Fortenberry made appropriate talks. V. T. Williams offered praper, after which the crowd dispersed. All business was suspended during the time.

Some unknown person cut the lock on Thornton Hardware Company's front door Wednesday night. Nothing was reported missing by the proprietor, however.

Mr. Holton has donated and put out hackberry trees enough for the entire east side of the school grounds. Some time ago Judge Tucker gave the school about thirty valuable books to be used in the library. These books which consist for the most part of histories, have only recently been brought to the school building.

Representatives of the Sheriff's department brought in a still Tuesday which they captured some distance east of town. This makes quite a number of stills captured in this territory.

Willie Hudson and Miss Fae King were united in marriage by Judge C. C. Hudson at his home Saturday night, February 3rd.

FAIRFIELD

The Grand Jury which has been in session in Fairfield for ten days reports that it has examined 156 witness and has returned 53 true bills, 39 for felonies and 14 for misdemeanors.

T. B. Newman who has been acting as postmaster for the Fairfield office for several months, received this week his certificate of appointment as postmaster, signed by the President.

When the Lions club of Teague learned that President Watson of the Freestone County Fair had called a meeting of the Board of Directors for Friday, February 8th, that being the Lions Luncheon Day, they immediately got in touch with the Fair president and invited him and his board to be their guests that day. President Watson immediately accepted the invitation. When asked about the Fair, President Watson expressed great optimism, saying that the outlook for a successful fair this fall was never so good as at the present time.

A memorial service in honor of Woodrow Wilson was held at the court house last Wednesday evening. The service was conducted by Rev. I. O. Dent. Speakers on the program were District Judge A. M. Blackmon, Hon. James Kimball, and Hon. R. L. Williford.

Mrs. Jim C. Anderson died last Thursday at the home of her son, Claude Anderson, eight miles east of Fairfield. Her remains were intered in the old Mt. Zion cemetery south of Turlington, Friday. Rev. H. L. McKissack conducted the services.

In a series of basket ball games played at Wortham Wednesday between Fairfield, Kirvin and Wortham, Wortham defeated Fairfield by a score of 11 to 2, and Kirven defeated Wortham with a margin of 3 points thereby earning the right to represent the county in the district meet at Calvert Friday.

WORTHAM

Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock memorial services for the late ex-President Woodrow Wilson were held here in the auditorium of the High School building. The school children with Miss Hanan Moon as leader sang several appropriate songs. Rev. M. D. Maxwell offered prayer and Rev. W. T. Boulware read the scripture lesson. Judge James Spiller delivered the memorial addsess and Rev. G. W. Bounds pronounced the benediction.

A brief review of the home mission study book, "The Debt Eternal," was presented in the auditorium of the Central Presybterian Church on last Friday evening by the Woman's Missionary Society. The program was educational in the main. American flags gave a patriotic background and the note of patriotism was hearlded by the singing of "America the Beautiful." After a prayer and a few preliminary remarks by the president, Mrs. J. J. Stubbs, the program was rendered.

The members of the Pleasure and Profit club were entertained in a unique and original way when Mrs. H. O. Tatum was hostess on last Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. P. Stubbs. Ferns and blooming pot plants transformed the apartment into an indoor flower garden. The entertainment was arranged to commemorate the three notable days of February, St. Valentine Day, and the birth days of Washington and Lincoln, and three tables were arranged to celebrate the three events. Refreshments in the form of chicken salad and wafers, hot chocolate and cake were served. Plate favors were tiny handpainted hatchets.

Hampton Steele of Thornton, who has been visiting relatives here for several days, went down to Groesbeck Saturday to attend the Lynch Davidson speaking.

INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL

WHO?—Single persons who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net in come of $2,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first $4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over $6,000 for the year 1923.

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19	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:55 a. m.

South bound—

346	To cut-off	7:00 a. m.
16	Houston San Antonio	11:45 a. m.
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18	Houston San Antonio	1:37 a. m.
20	Houston San Antonio	12:16 a. m.

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No. 8—3:25 p. m.

South.
No. 7—12:55 p. m.

CANDIDATES

Announcements

1924 ELECTIONS

LIMESTONE COUNTY

The following candidates for the offices named submit their names subject to the action of the Democratic primary election to be held in Limestone county on the 26th day of July, 1924:

For Governor—
FELIX G. ROBERTSON.
For District Judge, 77th Judicial Dis.
C. H. MACHEN
For Judge 87th Judicial District—
J. ROSS BELL
(Re-Election 2nd Term)
For District Clerk—
ELLIS DICKERSON.
M. A. AINSWORTH.
For County Judge—
H. F. KIRBY (Re-election sought)
JOHNSON WAKEFIELD
B. W. MILES.
For County Tax Assessor—
TOM M. CAIN
R. W. (BOB) STEEN
A. A. HYDEN.
J. L. HIGGINBOTHAM
For Tax Collector—
W. A. ROBBINS. (re-election.)
For County Treasurer—
H. C. FITZGERALD.
For Sheriff—
WHIT POPEJOY (re-election.)
For Commissioner Precinct No. 4—
JOHN M. KENNEDY, (re-election)
For County Treasurer—
MRS. LULA OATES, (re-election.)
County Attorney—
SCOTT REED (re-election, second term.)

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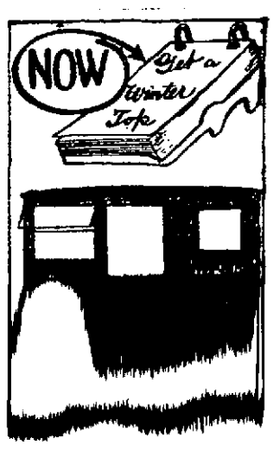

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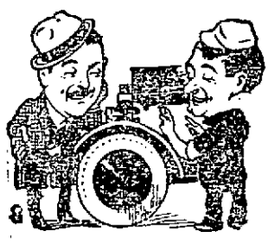

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Texas University Wants Centennial Held on Campus

AUSTIN, Texas, Feb. 9.—From $1,000,000 to $2,000,000 can be saved by the executive committee of the Texas Centennial Exposition if it decides to hold the celebration in Austin on the campus of the University of Texas, is the opinion of Will H. Mayes, former lieutenant governor of Texas and now chairman of the department of journalism of the University.

Mr. Mayes pointed out that when the celebration is held the new athletic stadium at the University, with its 60,000 seating capacity, will be completed. The exposition could hold its pageants and various outdoor events on the athletic field while the crowds could be accommodated in the stadium. The University has its forty acre campus and also owns 135 acres of adjoining land. All of this adjacent land could be utilized by the Exposition. On the University property are scores of homes that could be converted into office and concession buildings for the celebration A number of permanent buildings, adaptable to both exposition and University purposes, could be built by the exposition committee, and later these could be used for gymnasiums and various other purposes by the University This plan would prevent much waste and needless expenditures of money for the erection of temporary buildings that could be used only during the exposition Mr. Mayes stated that the Board of Regents of the University doubtless would be glad to co-operate with the exposition committee and share part of the expense of constructing such buildings as could afterwards be used by the University.

Austin needs a new auditroum and it is believed that the city might be willing to build it on the University property, where it could be used by both the city of Austin and the University. This building could be used during the celebration for public addresses and indoor entertainments, according to Mr. Mayes.

By co-operation of the University of Texas and the city of Austin in these ways, $1,000,000 to $2,000,000 could be saved by the exposition committee. The State of Texas also could save considerable money by getting needed buildings for the University at a low cost.

"I attended the Alaska-Yukon Exposition in Seattle in 1909, and the celebration was held on the grounds that belonged to the University of Washington," stated Mr. Mayes. "A large number of the exposition buildings were left on the campus for use of the University. In that way the exposition and the University both saved large sums of money and there was very little waste involved."

The Centennial celebration committee will meet in Austin on February 12 to designate the city in which the celebration will be held. The foregoing plan will likely be presented to the exposition committee

Nowlin Notes

Under the act of June 15, 1917, enlisted men in training for commissions who received less than $100 per month while in training, are entitled (subject to conditions stated in the following paragraphs,) to the difference between $100 per month, and the amount received by them, during the period of training.

Not Payable for Training Subsequent to June 30, 1918, or Prior to June 15, 1917.

The Act did not authorize pay at the $100 rate beyond the life of the appropriation, June 30, 1918; and the provision was not retroactive in its effect, and, therefore, gave no right to payment at the $100 rate prior to the date of the Act.

Payable Only for Service as Enlisted Men Who Entered Training Camps as Such.

The Act provided pay at the $100 rate for "enlisted men" detailed from an organization to the training camps. Therefore, men who were enlisted or inducted in the Army for the purpose of attending the training camps, are not entitled to the $100 pay rate.

Payable Only for Training for Commissions in Combatant Organizations.

The Act provided pay at $100 per month for training for commissions in organizations such as Infantry, Cavalry, Artillery, and Engineer organizations. Soldiers who trained in schools providing training for commissions in non-combatant or staff organizations such as the Quartermasters Corps, Ordnance Corps, and Medical Corps, are not entitled to the $100 pay rate.

Not Payable to Enlisted Men of the Navy or the Marine Corps, Nor to Enlisted Men of the Army Under Special Training.

The Act was an Army Appropriation Act and carried no funds for payment to enlisted men of the Navy or Marine Corps. The provision for $100 per month applied only to enlisted men training for commissions, and, therefore, enlisted men of the Army who attended Special Training Schools in which the training did not purpose commissions in the Army, are not entitled to the $100 pay rate.

General Accounting Office,
Claims Division.

Companies Active In Big Lake Area

BIG LAKE, Texas, Feb. 9.—The Transcontinental Oil company it is reported will spend close to two million dollars in developing their holdings in this field during the present year. This company which controls the Big Lake Oil company which recently purchased the Texon Oil and Land Company's holdings together with its three producing wells, is now the most active of the big companies now operating on the Sheffield Arch.

It is understood the second and third wells of this company will be shot within the next few days in the hope of increasing the production. The Santa Rita No. 1, or discovery well, is still making 150 barrels after being in eight months. Oil from this well tests 36.8 gravity and runs a high percentage in both gasoline and lubricating properities.

The Big Lake company's No. 4 is now reported drilling at 900 feet, the No. 5 drilling at 500 feet, the No. 6 rigging up, derrick being built for the No. 7 and locations made for Nos. 8, 9 and 10.

Fast time is also being made on the Shaoon No. 1 well of the Crockett Drilling Syndicate, which has set 8 inch casing at 2130 feet. According to the log of this test the formations are running approximately 200 feet higher than the Santa Rita No. 1, which gives it an excellent chance of making a producer. The Massey No. 1 test of this company is drilling at 1000 feet and the location has been made for the J. D. Young No. 1 on the Shannon.

It is understood the Texas Company will also drill seven tests in this territory, they having recently obtained a large block of acreage. Others who have holdings in the Big Lake field are the Humble, Gulf, Magnolia, Pure, T. & P., Mid-Kansas, Standard of California, Sinclair and C..raret.

Many small operators and independents are also entering the field daily due to the many large drilling blocks available.

ELKS TO HOLD TWO MORE DANCES SOON

The Elks will enjoy two more dances this month. Thursday night, February 14th will be the date for the "Valentine Dance;" and Friday night, February 22nd will hold their George Washington dance. The affairs are only upon invitation.

Miss Bess Parker with her eighth grade sewing class enjoyed a practical lesson in Hickman's dry goods store last Monday. The purpose of the visit was to compare prices and qualities of materials for undercloching. No suggestion for buying the material at any specific store was given, it being the purpose of the teacher of the class to visit more than one firm in demonstrating to the pupils matter of choosing dress goods.

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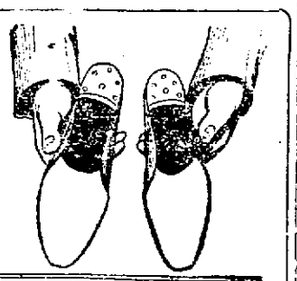

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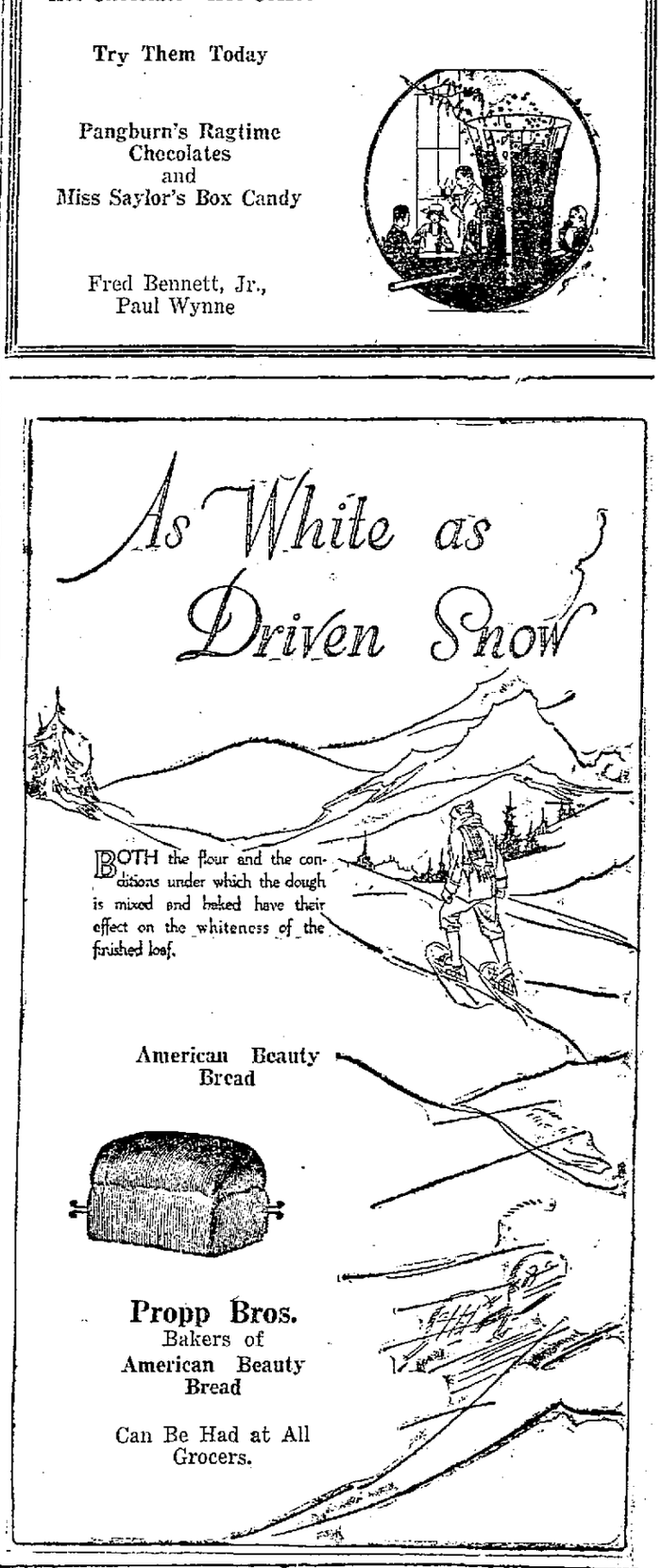

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